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Kowloon ...Dep.	6.40	8.05	8.30	9.10	10.00	12.15	1.15	2.35	3.00	4.20	5.42	7.36
Yaumati ...Dep.	6.49	〃	—	9.20	10.08	12.24	1.23	—	—	4.32	5.50	7.38
Shatin ...Dep.	7.01	〃	—	9.33	10.20	12.36	1.34	—	—	4.50	6.02	7.50
Taipo Market Dep.	7.15	—	—	9.48	10.33	12.49	1.47	—	—	5.04	6.15	8.03
Taipo ...Dep.	7.20	—	—	9.53	10.37	12.53	1.51	—	—	5.08	6.19	8.07
Fanling ...Dep.	7.30	—	—	10.05	10.47	1.03	2.01	—	—	5.18	6.30	8.17
Sheungshui ...Dep.	7.35	—	9.07	10.10	10.52	1.08	2.06	3.14	—	5.23	6.35	8.21
Shumchun ...Arr.	7.41	8.45	9.13	10.16	10.58	1.14	2.12	3.20	3.40	5.29	6.41	8.27
Canton ...Arr.	—	12.40	—	5.38	—	—	—	—	7.26	—	—	—

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Canton ...Dep.	—	—	—	8.05	—	—	—	—	—	3.20
Shumchun ...Dep.	7.18	8.05	10.35	11.49	11.56	2.58	4.39	5.49	6.45	7.04
Sheungshui ...Dep.	7.25	8.12	10.42	—	12.03	3.05	4.46	5.56	6.52	—
Fanling ...Dep.	7.30	8.16	10.47	—	12.07	3.10	4.50	6.00	—	—
Taipo Market Dep.	7.40	8.26	10.57	—	12.18	3.21	5.00	6.10	—	—
Taipo ...Dep.	7.44	8.31	11.01	—	12.22	3.26	5.04	6.15	—	—
Shatin ...Dep.	7.57	8.44	11.14	—	12.36	3.39	5.17	6.28	—	—
Yaumati ...Dep.	8.11	8.56	11.26	—	12.48	3.51	5.29	6.40	—	—
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40 DECREES IN A SITTING.

"The decrees *nisi* granted in cases numbered 1 to 200 in today's list are hereby made absolute."

This is the brief judicial formula of a few seconds' duration by which in the Divorce Division the judge every week puts *finis* to the drama of a batch of matrimonial mesalliances—an act involving the personal destiny of hundreds of men, women and children.

It is, so far as the Court is concerned, a mere formality of procedure, and yet upon its execution depends more than could easily be expressed.

Six months is the period which the law usually recognises between the decree *nisi* and the decree absolute—the final decree is automatic unless in the meantime the King's Proctor has found occasion to intervene. Sometimes special circumstances have induced the Courts to hasten the decree absolute, but this is rarely granted.

Although the extension of country assize divorce has taken an enormous number of divorce cases out of London—it is estimated that the assize in the country are now handling 2,000 divorce petitions in a year—London still remains in one sense the home of divorce, for all "decrees absolute" have to be granted before the three Divorce Judges sitting in the Law Courts. There have been occasions when 400 divorces have been thus confirmed in one moment, which certainly approaches to an automatic system of divorce, and if present indications are any guide it looks as though the hearing of the actual divorce petitions will in the future become even speedier and more systematised.

The Judicial Formula.

Forty decrees *nisi* are often granted by one Judge in a single sitting. Early in the century a dozen matrimonial cases a list was looked upon as fairly heavy and counsel in those leisurely days would open the case with a detailed statement before the calling of evidence.

Now when Brown *v.* Brown is called, the petitioner rushes to the witness box just as the Judge has pronounced a decree *nisi* in the previous case, and the formality of proving the marriage and the charge is accomplished in less than five minutes. The decree granted with the judicial staccato "Decree, costs, custody," wife or husband, petitioner leaves the Court with the witnesses, waiting friends in the corridors greet them and the procession moves away—to pass other little family "crowds" who are dexterously making for the same place of relief under similarly unhappy domestic circumstances.

Surging Crowd On A Busy Day.

On a busy day when the three Divorce Courts are sitting and perhaps 150 cases are listed, the vestibule in the new Divorce annex is often packed with a surging mass of people—apart from counsel and solicitors there are the parties in the matrimonial suits, their witnesses, relatives and friends, while babies are often tucked away in corners on the seats to repose or cry while the *divorce drama within* the court doors—which, unknown to their innocent minds may so intimately affect their lives—is being enacted.

Men leave the court often in a fainting condition under the emotional stress of the hearing, and hysterical and weeping women are carried out daily by stalwart police and "ushers" who have to keep the decorous "silence" in the judicial chamber.

The divorce mill grinds on imperturbably and remorselessly. In a week of this term the judges have heard about 500 divorce cases and passed the 2,000 total since the year opened. And hundreds more are already down for trial.—*London Daily News.*

BLACK CHIEF'S WHITE SLAVES.

NO DESIRE TO LEAVE A DESERT.

MEN WHO STEAL THE LION'S PREY.

[By W. J. Makin, *the "Daily Mail" Special Correspondent with the British expedition into the Kalahari Desert.*]

Mahalapye, Bechuanaland

It is curious how legends and romance surround the unknown. Here, on the edge of the least known of all African deserts, I have gathered many strange stories from hunters and prospectors who claim to have wandered in this wasteland.

There are stories of unlimited wealth in diamonds, platinum, and radium to be found in the desert, and that in the swamps round Lake M'Gani our expedition may find the mythical graveyard of elephants with its treasure of ivory buried in the swamps.

I wonder if there is in the world any more extraordinary story than that of the white slaves of Molepolole? Molepolole is a native kraal ruled over by a black chief, buried some miles in the desert. In that kraal are two families of whites, the remnants of a Dutch trek many years ago into the desert.

Harried by wild Bushmen and lack of water, a few survivors of the white caravan staggered into the kraal. There they have remained ever since, and to-day the descendants of the Dutch pioneers are serfs of the native chief.

They are perfectly content with their lot. They have no desire to leave the native kraal.

Once the authorities in South Africa offered to place them on other lands nearer to civilisation. The offer was refused. They have lost all touch with civilisation.

It is suggested that in the swamps of the Okavango which the expedition is to traverse, we may find many of the mystery animals of Africa now believed extinct. There are actually rumours of a brontosaurus having gone north from the Orange River. In the region of the Orange River natives tell stories of a beast of the veld that they call the "groot slang," and Cornell, the South African explorer, is the one white man who professed to have seen the gigantic beast.

Search For Giant Beast.

It is possible that we many discover a quagga, another mystery animal of Africa. It is half mule and half zebra. The quagga is generally supposed to have been extinct for many years.

Most interesting of all the secrets that the expedition will attempt to solve is that of the nomadic Bushman. How can this most primitive form of man exist in a desert without water? We know that he lives a good deal on melon and that he conceals water in ostrich eggs buried in the sand.

For food he often follows the spoor of a lion. He lets the beast kill his prey, and then scares it away. Half famished, as he usually is, he falls upon the kill.

GEORGE SAND.

NO BAN ON DISCUSSION OF HER LOVE AFFAIRS.

Paris.

Madame Aurore Lauth-Sand, grand-daughter of George Sand, the famous French woman novelist, has lost her case against M. Jacques Boulanger, critic and literary historian, who in a recent book recalled her grandmother's love affairs with illustrious people of her time.

M. Boulanger in his work referred to George Sand's liaisons with such famous persons as Alfred de Muset, the poet, Jules Sandeau, the playwright, and Chopin, the composer.

Mme. Lauth-Sand complained that this constituted an attack against her family's name.

The Paris courts decided that when the fame of a writer has made of him a historical personage, the whole of his life is open to review and comment, provided always that this is done truthfully and without malice.

As no error of fact or malicious intent had been proved against M. Boulanger, it was declared that Mme. Lauth-Sand had no grounds for her suit.

DIARY OF EVENTS.

To-day.

(August 3rd.)

Christian Fellowship Meeting Helena May Institute, 10.30 a.m.

Prize Distribution Garrison Children's School H.K.V.D.C. Drill Hall, 11 a.m.

Whist Drive Kowloon Bowling Green Club.

Portuguese Coy. H.K.V.D.C. Variety Entertainment Club de Recreio, 9.15 p.m.

Queen's Theatre: "The Red Mill" at 9.15, Long Tack Sam.

World Theatre: "Heaven on Earth."

Star Theatre: "After Midnight."

Tea Dance: H.K. Hotel, 4.30 p.m.

Principal Mails:—Inward: Europe *viâ* Suez (*Kalyan*); Europe *viâ* Siberia (*Kashmir*). Outward: Europe *viâ* Siberia (*Suiyang*), 6 p.m.

Saturday.

(August 4th.)

War Declared between Great Britain and Germany 1914.

V.R.C. Night Fête, 9 p.m.

Golf: Captain's Cup and Bogey Pool, Fanling.

Baseball:—Senior Division: South China *v.* Filipinos.

Lawn Bowls:—Division I.: Craigengower *v.* Police; Kowloon Bowling Green *v.* Kowloon C.C.: Taikoo *v.* Kowloon Dock. Division II.: Civil Service *v.* Craigengower; East Point *v.* Taikoo; Kowloon C.C. *v.* Kowloon Bowling Green; Recreio "A" *v.* Recreio "B."

Tennis:—Third Division: R.A.O.C. *v.* Chinese "B"; R.A.M.C. *v.* South China; Chinese "A" *v.* Y.M.C.A.; Civil Service *v.* Indian R.C.; Recreio "B" *v.* Kowloon Indians; Kowloon C.C. *v.* Recreio "A"; Nippon Club *v.* Hong Kong C.C.

Queen's Regimental Band Concert, Kowloon Cricket Club, 9.15 p.m.

Queen's Theatre: "The Red Mill" and at 9.15, Long Tak Sam.

World Theatre: "Heaven on Earth."

Star Theatre: "After Midnight."

Tea Dances: H.K. Hotel, 4.30 p.m.; King Edward Hotel, 5 p.m.

Principal Mails:—Outward: Europe *viâ* Marseilles (*Kashmir*), 10.30 a.m.; Europe *viâ* Siberia (*Kalyan*), 10 a.m.

Sunday.

(August 5th.)

9th Sunday After Trinity.

Golf: Captain's Cup and Bogey Pool, Fanling.

Queen's Theatre: "It" and "A Day's Pleasure."

World Theatre: "California."

Star Theatre: "Wild Horse Mesa."

Tea Dance: H.K. Hotel, 4.30 p.m.

Monday.

(August 6th.)

Golf: Captain's Cup and Bogey Pool, Fanling.

Queen's Theatre: "It" and "A Day's Pleasure."

World Theatre: "California."

Star Theatre: "Wild Horse Mesa."

Tea Dance: H.K. Hotel, 4.30 p.m.

Tuesday.

(August 7th.)

United Asbestos Oriental Agency, Ltd., 32nd Annual General Meeting, noon.

Sanitary Board Meeting, 4.15 p.m.

Queen's Theatre: "It" and "A Day's Pleasure."

World Theatre: "The Boy Friend."

Star Theatre: "Forbidden Paradise."

Tea Dance: H.K. Hotel, 4.30 p.m.

Principal Mails:—Outward: Europe *viâ* Marseilles (*Glaucus*), 2.30 p.m.; Europe *viâ* Victoria B.C. (*President Cleveland*), 10.30 a.m.; Europe *viâ* Siberia and *viâ* Vancouver B.C. (*Empress of Canada*), 5 p.m.

Wednesday.

(August 8th.)

Queen's Theatre: "Sadie Thomson."

World Theatre: "The Boy Friend."

Star Theatre: "Forbidden Paradise."

Tea Dance: H.K. Hotel, 4.30 p.m.

Principal Mail:—Outward: Europe *viâ* San Francisco (*Taiyo Maru*), 10.30 a.m.

Thursday.

(August 9th.)

Queen's Theatre: "Sadie Thomson."

World Theatre: "Don Q."

Star Theatre: "Fingerprints."

Tea Dance: H.K. Hotel, 4.30 p.m.

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HONG KONG VOLUNTEER DEFENCE CORPS.

[ORDERS BY LT.-COL. L. O. BIRD, D.S.O., COMMANDANT.]

No. 341.

1.—Meetings.

Monday, August 13th, 1928, at Volunteer Headquarters.

5.45 p.m. Sports Committee Meeting.

6.15 p.m. Promenade Concert Meeting.

2.—Holiday.

Monday, August 6th, 1928, will be observed as a holiday, no parades will be held on that day.

3.—Corps Band.

The Band will parade at full strength on Tuesday, August 7th. Probationers will continue tuition under private arrangements with Corps Bandmaster, A. J. M. Rodrigues.

4.—The Battery.

A lecture on Buffer and Recuperator will be given by Capt. Austin, M.C., M.M., R.A., at the Artificer's Shop, Gun Club Hill, at 9.30 a.m. on Sunday, August 12th, 1928.

A complete Buffer and Recuperator System will be stripped and it is hoped that all ranks will take this the only opportunity of gaining technical knowledge in this Section of the Battery Armament.

5.—Mounted Infantry Company.

Friday, August 3rd: Parade at 5.30 p.m. at Volunteer Headquarters for instruction in M.G. Sergt. Pott's Section only.

Tuesday, August 7th: Parade at 5.45 p.m. at the Stables for work with pack animals.

Friday, August 10th: Parade at 5.30 p.m. at Volunteer Headquarters for instruction in M.G. Sergt. Watson's Section only.

Field Day: There will be a Field Day on Sunday, August 19th, 1928. Members are asked to keep this day free. Full details will be issued later.

6.—Armoured Car Company.

Car Section: Friday, August 3rd: Parade at Volunteer Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. for lecture on Car Mechanism.

Wednesday, August 8th: A run in the Armoured Car will be held starting from Volunteer Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. Dress: Mufti.

Friday, August 10th: Parade at Volunteer Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. for lecture on Car Mechanism.

7.—Machine Gun Company.

Parades will be held as usual at Corps Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. on Friday, August 3rd, and August 10th, but on August 3rd N.C.O.'s Class will proceed from Headquarters by Ford Truck to Kennedy Road Range.

8.—Scottish Company.

Vickers Gun Class of Instruction will be held at Corps Headquarters at 6 p.m. on Tuesday, August 7th.

9.—Portuguese Company.

The Portuguese Company Concert will be held at the Club de Recreio on Friday, August 3rd, 1928, at 9.15 p.m.

10.—Strength.

The following recruits are taken on the strength and posted as under:—

No. 1353 Signaller W. S. Clark, Signals, as from July 26th, 1928.

No. 1354 Pte. V. M. Hast, No. 6 Platoon, as from July 30th, 1928.

No. 1355 Pte. F. T. Caveney, No. 7 Platoon, as from July 30th, 1928.

11.—Promotions And Appointments.

THE BATTERY.

No. 1274 L/Bdr. E. P. Streatfield, to be B.Q.M.S., from July 28th, 1928.

No. 1060 Bdr. L. F. Nicholson, to be Lce.-Sergeant, from July 28th, 1923.

No. 1032 L/Bdr. J. T. McCarr, to be Bombardier, from July 28th, 1928.

No. 849 L/Bdr. W. G. Lawson, to be Bombardier, from July 28th, 1928.

No. 894 Gnr. A. R. J. White, to be L/Bombardier, from July 28th, 1928.

No. 1168 Gnr. R. L. Stewart, to be L/Bombardment, from July 28th, 1928.

NO. 2 PLATOON.

No. 1103 Lce.-Corpl. D. M. Richards, to be Corporal, as from August 1st, 1928.

No. 1121 Lce.-Corpl. G. E. L. Johnson, to be Corporal, as from August 1st, 1928.

12.—Transfers.

No. 772 Pte. A. C. Howell is transferred from No. 2 Platoon to the Motor Cycle Section, as from July 27th, 1928.

No. 777 Pte. F. E. G. Munn is transferred from No. 2 Platoon to No. 1 Platoon, as from July 27th, 1928.

13.—Struck Off The Strength.

Having left the Colony:—

No. 877 Pte. F. N. Doodha, M.C. Section, as from July 28th, 1928.

No. 752 Pte. F. G. L. Wheeler, No. 1 Platoon, as from July 20th, 1928.

Having completed three years' service and claimed his discharge, as from May 23rd, 1928:—

No. 761 Pte. C. Neave, No. 6 Platoon.

(*Continued on next Column*).

RED TORTURERS OF CHILDREN.

YOUNGSTERS DRIVEN TO SUICIDE.

SCANDAL OF "SHOW" INSTITUTION.

The following communication has been received by the *Pravda* from Leningrad, formerly Petrograd:—

In the Leningrad Institution for Vagrant Children a terrible scandal was discovered recently.

In spite of the fact that the authorities have provided £20,000 a year for the upkeep of the children, the atmosphere in the institute drives the youngsters to suicide, thefts, and drunkenness. One of the boys recently hanged himself owing to the tortures he endured from one of the directors.

The same cause led to the attempted suicide of two girls. Three under-age girls became mothers.

Smoking and drinking became frequent, not only among the boys but also among the girls. Thieving was general among the children, as well as among the teachers.

This institute is a "show place" generally visited by British and other foreign Labour delegations.

UNINVITED GUESTS.

LADY ELLESMERE ASKS THREE WOMEN TO GO.

The scandal of the uninvited "guests" who go to dances during the London season and help themselves to costly foods and drinks reached a climax at Bridgewater House, St. James's, S.W., when the hostess, the Countess of Ellesmere, took drastic action in the case of three uninvited women.

The incident occurred when Lady Ellesmere came out of the supper-room and saw three women enter the hall. The sudden encounter obviously embarrassed them, and as Lady Ellesmere's suspicions were aroused she asked them if they had been invited. They admitted that they had not.

"Would you kindly leave the house," said Lady Ellesmere, and the women immediately did so.

Lady Ellesmere said to a *Daily Mail* reporter:

Before the women left I asked them for their names, which they gave me. They were all unmarried.

I suspect that there were also some men at the ball who had not been invited. There was one man who had accepted an invitation as a bachelor. He brought his wife.

This will not occur again. In future I shall issue invitation cards and only those who have them will be admitted.

It is anticipated that other hostesses will follow Lady Ellesmere's lead.

The whole of the West End tingled with stories of the incident at Bridgewater House. It was, in fact, quite a general pastime for guests who were at the dance to look down the official list of those present and to try to recall the people whom they saw but who did not figure in the list. Judging by this method, a number of people were there who may not have been invited.

Specially permitted to resign from the Band, as from July 24th, 1928:—

No. 1207 Bandsman A. M. Souza.

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No. 1217 Bandsman V. E. Bernardo.

No. 1229 Bandsman M. T. Nunes.

R. A. WOLFE MURRAY, Major, Adjutant, H.K.V.D.C.

Hong Kong, August 3rd, 1928.

NOTICES.

1.—Promenade Concert.

There will be a Band Concert at Volunteer Parade Ground at 9.15 p.m. on Friday, August 17th, by the Band of 2nd Battalion, K.O.S.B., by kind permission of Lieut.-Col. L. J. Comyn, C.M.G., D.S.O., and the Officers.

Tickets of Admission: $1 each, are obtainable at Volunteer Headquarters and Anderson Music Co., Ltd.

It is hoped all ranks of the Corps will assist in making this a financial and social success, by taking tickets for themselves and their friends.

2.—Aquatic Sports.

Members of the Corps are reminded that these sports will be held at the Victoria Recreation Club on Friday, August 24th, 1928, commencing at 9 p.m. There will be a dance immediately following the sports.

Admission: $1. Tickets can be had from Corps Sergt.-Major H. Westlake, D.C.M., the Officers' Mess, the Sergeants' Mess, the Canteen, the Victoria Recreation Club or any member of the Sports Committee.

Entry forms can be obtained at Volunteer Headquarters or the V.R.C. Entries free.

All entries to be sent to Corpl. D. Lyon c/o Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., not later than August 15th.

It is hoped that all members of the Corps and their friends will make a special effort to be present on this occasion.

THE DON BASIN TRIAL.

FARCE OF SOVIET JUSTICE.

DEATH SENTENCES FOR "CLASS ENEMIES."

[BY DR. EDOUARD LUSOFF (*A Russian Barrister and the Leading Authority on Soviet Russia*).]

The longest trial on record in Soviet Russia has ended, as was expected, in wholesale death sentences. The trial, spectacularly staged—the whole proceedings were broadcast—was meant to impress and to "warn" the outside world, as well as to "demonstrate Soviet might."

Owing to the implication of German engineers sent by their firms to supervise work undertaken in the Soviet coalfields, the case became of "international" interest, and the Soviets did their utmost to show off their "justice." Without the three Germans the remaining 50 Russian engineers would have been unceremoniously despatched with all the haste possible. A meeting of the "Collegium of the O.G.P.U." would have been convened at the headquarters of the Secret Terrorist Police and the "prisoners" would have been shot.

Reduced to its lowest possible terms, the case is typically Bolshevik and ridiculously simple. The O.G.P.U., finding nothing to do, "discovered" a plot against the Soviets which they stated was directed and financed from abroad by the former owners of the Russian coalfields.

What Evidence Showed.

I have before me the verbatim report of the trial and a large number of articles and comments upon the case. The first thing that would strike the Britisher in looking through this material is the farce of Soviet justice.

The proceedings in Moscow were, at the highest valuation, a public confirmation of decisions reached long beforehand. And Moscow openly admits that the court was trying not criminals in the usually recognised sense but "class enemies of the Dictatorship of the Proletariat." In other words the Soviets say:

Here are the remaining "bourgouys" working in our coal-mines and yet their attitude towards us is antagonistic. It may be true that they have done no harm, it may be true that we cannot prove any case of concrete damage, but we can prove that these people were engineers formerly in the employ of the owners of the confiscated mines; we can prove that some of them were capitalists and therefore we must shoot them and we are justified in shooting them.

This actually is a summary of the speech for the prosecution. The question of criminal acts was of no interest to the Dictatorship, and as the defence rightly pointed out, the evidence showed quite clearly that instead of damaging the mines these people were responsible for "increasing the output of coal."

The court apparently considered this point and came to the conclusion that death sentences were essential on the ground that the prisoners *might* have committed the acts they were accused of having committed had the O.G.P.U. not discovered the plot.—*Daily Mail.*

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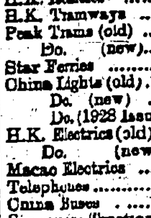

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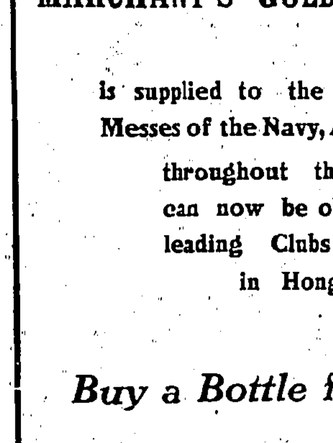

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WHEN IS A MAN DRUNK?

LAW "IN AN APPALLING STATE."

Mr. Elliott Barker, solicitor for the police at Kingston-on-Thames County Police Court, asked permission to withdraw a summons against a motorist charged with being drunk in charge of a car.

"The law, dicts and rulings on the question are in an appalling state," he said, "and some doctors say there is no such word as drunk in the medical dictionary."

HEALTHY HONG KONG.

WORK OF LEADING HOSPITALS IN 1927.

NO SERIOUS EPIDEMIC.

The Medical Report for the year 1927 states that the Colony was free from any serious epidemic of disease during the year.

Only 149 cases of small-pox were reported, of which 131 were of local origin, the remaining 18 being imported. There were 120 deaths, all Chinese.

There has been no case of either rat or human plague notified since September, 1925. (It will, however, be remembered that two cases have been notified this year).

A rat flea survey will be undertaken during 1928 and the findings may throw some light on our present immunity.

During the year 155,513 rats were examined.

Only three cases of true cholera were notified, all of which were imported. The Colony's immunity from this disease, which occurs epidemically in other ports in constant communication with us, is probably due to the absence of rivers and wells which in other countries are the main source of infection.

The report then includes the returns from the various civil hospitals in the Colony.

THE CIVIL HOSPITAL.

The new admissions to hospital (exclusive of the Maternity Block and Lunatic Asylum) were 4,698.

The daily average of in-patients was 188.

There was rarely a vacant bed in the general wards of the hospital.

All nationalities of both sexes (except European women and children) were treated, but by far the greatest proportion of patients were Chinese males.

European, 603; Japanese, etc., 77; Indian, 1,002; Chinese, 3,212.

The males numbered 3,952 and the females 942.

A large proportion of the 3rd class patients were treated free of charge.

416 patients died and of these 185 died within 24 hours of admission.

The high death rate is mainly accounted for by the fact that a large number of Chinese patients come to hospital in the last stage of disease, especially pulmonary tuberculosis. Major accidents occurring in various parts of the island were also responsible for this high death rate.

Incidentally 60 infants under the age of one year died in hospital. The commonest cause was bronchopneumonia.

A large number of venereal cases, especially soft sores and buboes 31 (19 in 1926) and syphilis 108 (81 in 1926) were treated.

On the contrary the number of malaria cases showed a big drop 583 (622 in 1926), so also in the case of beri-beri, 60 (109 in 1926).

The Police Force.

The total number of admissions to hospital was made up as follows:—

		Deaths.
European	153	*Nil.*
Indians	529 (1)	Phthsis.
Cantonese	197 (1)	G. S. Wound.
Wei-hai-wei ...	141	*Nil.*

Government servants were attended to daily, as out-patients between the hours of 9 a.m. and 10.30 a.m. The daily average was 12.

The out patients department was extremely well attended by Chinese of the poorei classes.

Maternity Department.

The admissions numbered 686, of which 628 were Chinese.

There were 32 still births, 7 maternal deaths and 7 infantile deaths.

Only four cases of twins are reported.

KOWLOON HOSPITAL.

Dr. Newton was in charge for the greater part of the year, Dr. Smalley and Dr. Fehily each being in charge for a short time. Dr. Dovey attended in the Out-patient Department and acted as anæsthetist to the Hospital.

980 patients were admitted during the year, 896 being males and 84 females. The nationalities were made up as follows:—British, 223; Chinese, 684; Other Nationalities, 73.

Chinese women and children and Indians are not admitted except under very urgent circumstances as there is not the accommodation for them.

130 operations were performed under general anæsthesia. There was a slight increase (sixteen) in the number of cases of malaria admitted, many of which were of a very malignant type accounting for 8 deaths out of a total of 44 deaths from all causes. All these more severe cases occurred in Northern Chinese who had recently come to Hong Kong and were living at Kowloon City.

In the Out-patient Department there were 11,114 attendances 1,697 of these being cases of external diseases of the eye.

The total cases were made up as follows:—New cases, 6,918; Old cases, 2,067; Dressings, 2,129; Total, 11,114.

(*Continued on next Column*).

INDIAN AND WELSH WOMAN.

POISON EVIDENCE AT INQUEST.

SIR B. SPILSBURY TO MAKE ANALYSIS.

London, July 11th.

The inquest on Mammatha Nath Sanyal, aged 30, an Indian described as a qualified doctor, and Gwennyth Rose Lewis, aged 28, a Welsh woman, who were found dead in a boarding-house in Gower-street, Bloomsbury, was opened at St. Pancras.

Mr. D. Hopkin appeared for the woman's father, Mr. David Lewis, a schoolmaster, of Cilycwn, near Llandovery, Carmarthenshire.

Mr. Lewis said that his daughter was never depressed, but was sensitive and would sometimes magnify small things into big ones.

Sir Walter Schroder, the Coroner: Did you know anything of her friendships?—I knew she had this one friend, this doctor.

Was it a recent friendship?—It must have been recent. It could not have been going on before last Christmas.

Did you understand that it was likely to lead to an engagement?—Yes, I think so.

Never Threatened Life.

Had your daughter ever threatened to take her life?—Never.

Had you any knowledge of any anxieties she had?—The only anxiety I knew of was that the doctor was out of a place and could not get one. She worried about that.

Mr. Hopkin: In the three letters you received from your daughter did she mention in each one the fact that Sanyal was out of a job?—Yes, sir.

Mr. Lewis added that his daughter said that Sanyal was very depressed in consequence.

Would you describe her as an absolute Celt?—Yes, she was very much up and down.

Sir Bernard Spilsbury, honorary pathologist to the Home Office, said that there was a hypodermic injection area on the upper part of the left arm and a smell of camphor which led him to think it had been given as a restorative after the girl was found. He found no disease which would account for death.

There were two tiny glass tubes of strychnine sulphate and a similar tube of strophantin. There were five phials of the latter and another phial containing hyscine hydro bromide. There was an empty whisky bottle and a box in which was a string of pearls and a metal neck pendant. On the floor were an empty beer bottle and glass.

Dr. Rose, Divisional Police Surgeon, said the man had white powder on the first and second fingers of the right hand. Two syringes on the table by the bed had similar white powder on them.

Sir Walter adjourned the inquest. He said that an analysis would have to be made by Sir Bernard Spilsbury and Dr. Rose.

VICTORIA GENERAL AND MATERNITY HOSPITAL.

Admissions numbered 315 in the general wards, 323 patients being treated compared with 287 in 1927.

There were 136 operations.

The nationalities were:—Europeans 297, Eurasians 8, Chinese 18.

Eight deaths occurred.

The Maternity Hospital treated 63 patients.

61 children were born and all survived.

There was only one death in the Maternity Hospital.

TSANG YUK MATERNITY HOSPITAL.

The work in the In-patient Department increased considerably during the year.

Maternity Wards.

Patients were admitted as below:—From Western District, 765 cases; from Central District, 137 cases, from Aberdeen District, 16 cases; from Yaumati District, 26 cases; from Causeway Bay District, 20 cases; from Shaukiwan District, 9 cases; from Boating Population, 17 cases; Total, 990 cases.

37 cases attended in their own homes.

Gynaecological Wards.

Owing to the increased number of patients we have had to engage another sister to help in this department. Over 6,000 patients were seen at the special women's clinics at the Dispensaries, and from these our in-patients are drawn.

OTHER HOSPITALS.

The Matilda Hospital.

Patients remaining at the end of 1926, 15; admitted during 1927, 276; deaths, 10.

The Ho Miu Ling Hospital.

Patients remaining at the end of 1926, 20; admitted during 1927, 440; deaths, 27.

The Nethersole Hospital.

Patients remaining at the end of 1926, 30; admitted during 1927, 490; deaths, 48.

The Alice Memorial Maternity Hospital.

Patients remaining at the end of 1926, 2; admitted during 1927, 406; deaths, 3.

"THE RED MILL."

HOLLAND IN HOLLYWOOD.

A CREEPY SCENE.

[BY OUR FILM CRITIC.]

"The Red Mill" was haunted, its broken sails turned with fitful gusts of wind, and inside it spiders, owls, foxes and all "the things that bump in the night" had had made their homes.

Beside the mill was an inn, a huge rambling place with luxurious rooms waxed floors, box beds, and gardens planted with stiff rows of tulips; in fact a traditional Dutch Inn, in which a scared looking Marion Davis with twenty petticoats, stracked cap and clogs worked as a servant girl.

Outside the Inn is Holland in Hollywood, with a crowd of pretty Californians in fancy dress skating on artificial ice and making love to "the Irisher, Owen Moore, in high pitched voices.

That is really all there is in "The Red Mill" except the Burgomaster's ugly daughter and her lover, Karl Dane. "Tina" (Marion Davis), falls in love with the Irish tourist, and shows her predilection for him very artlessly when she can escape from her drudgery and her brutal master (George Seegman). She wins him after sundry adventures including an ice carnival, an exchange of clothes with the Burgomaster's daughter, and a terrible night locked in the haunted mill.

That night in the mill is the saving of what otherwise would have been a very ordinary picture. She is thrust in and the door locked upon her during a night of streaming rain, screaming wind and vivid lightning. The constant flashes of light only serve to heighten the horror of the place, giving her terrifying glimpses of birds and vermin, and involving her, as she starts back, in the clutches of the broken tangles of cordage, etc., with which the place is hung. The introduction of two lifelike scarecrows and a skeleton is unartistic because unnecessary. Miss Davis is a sufficiently clever actress to convey an atmosphere of horror which verges on mental derangement without such artifices. It is a terrible scene, acted with power restraint, and artistically, worth far more than all the rest of the film.

Owen Moore with his cheerful honest face is always pleasing, and lovers of Karl Dane will move in their seats and wake up when he shows his face over the half door of the kitchen.

Sea Lions And An Elephant.

The short comedy which precedes "The Red Mill" is very good and the introduction into it of half a dozen admirably trained sea lions and a baby elephant makes an opportunity for many amusing situations.

Cinema goers should remember that there is no 9.20 film performance at the Queen's this week as Long Tack Sam and his troupe are giving their display of magic, dancing and music at that hour.

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Mr. Justice Rowlatt made this comment in the King's Bench Division on July 9th during the hearing of an income tax case.

A "round up" of tax defaulters before Mr. Justice Rowlatt brought a crop of judgments for the Crown, representing an aggregate amount of £31,500. Penalties, forfeits, super tax, and other forms of tax occupied the court for two hours, and the tax haul was made at the rate of more than £15,000 an hour.

Mr. Justice Rowlatt made the comment quoted above when it was intimated to him that one claim comprised fifty counts.

"Good gracious me!" he observed, and was not much relieved to hear that only thirty of them would be proved.

"Wrangles."

Mr. Lever, appearing for the taxpayer concerned, said that the nearest approach he had to any income for many years was his income tax. He never owned the properties with which the tax was concerned, and had only succeeded in involving himself in interminable wrangles with the tax inspector, but he had not appealed. Consequently he was called on to pay tax on property with which he was in no way connected.

"Why did they pitch on him?" asked Mr. Justice Rowlatt.

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Mr. Lever: Well, they pitched on the whole family. His wife has been assessed, and so have his daughter and his son. Some payments have been made by tenants with which he has been credited.

Mr. Justice Rowlatt: But whose property is it?—His wife's.

Is not a man responsible for his wife's taxes?—I do not think so.

Mr. Justice Rowlatt: I am afraid he is.

He gave judgment for the Crown, but pointed out that the Revenue authorities should examine the situation.

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SEQUEL HEARD IN SUMMARY COURT.

The story was told in the Summary Court yesterday morning how a few enterprising Japanese businessmen got together and secured the monopoly of supplying various articles to the Japanese Squadron which visited Hong Kong on April last. It was stated that hitherto Chinese hawkers had been allowed to go on board Japanese warships to trade, but when the Fleet was here for five days, it was decided that no Chinese hawkers should be permitted to go aboard any of the vessels. This decision at once presented an opportunity to a few Japanese merchants, who formed themselves into a combine and secured the sole rights to supply to the Fleet.

They went to several shops to procure articles which they thought would appeal to the visitors, and among the shops visited, was Messrs. Sincere & Co. Business, however, proved less lucrative than was expected with the result that Mr. T. Nakao, a member of the "five-day combine" was cited as defendant in an action brought by Messrs. Sincere & Co. and heard at the Summary Court, before Mr. Justice P. Jacks, yesterday.

Mr. M. K. Lo appeared for the plaintiffs, and the defendant was represented by Mr. R. A. Wadeson.

The claim against the defendant was for $1,000 being the price of goods sold and delivered. The actual amount sold was $2,127.30, but as $1,000 had been paid by the defendant as deposit, the balance remained due, and it had to be reduced to $1,000 as to bring the action within the jurisdiction of the Court.

Defendant also filed a counter-claim against the plaintiffs for $7.04, and Mr. Lo explained that the counter-claim arose out of the deposit of $1,000 which the defendant had given to the plaintiffs on the terms that defendant would be supplied with goods for the purpose of selling them to the Fleet. Defendant stated that the goods would be returned to the Sincere Company if not sold. Defendant had been supplied with stuff costing $2,127.30 but had only succeeded in disposing of $992 worth, and he alleged that according to the arrangements made, Sincere & Co. had to take over all unsold goods, in which case, there was still a balance of $7.04 due to him.

$2,000 Credit Given.

Outlining his case, Mr. Lo said that a Mr. Nakao went to see Mr. Chan See, manager of Sincere Co. on or about March 4th, and asked for the usual pass book for goods which were sold on credit. Defendant then explained that his firm had made arrangement to supply the requirements in certain directions of the men of the Japanese Fleet during their visit to Hong Kong.

Mr. Chan See would also tell the Court that as he did not know defendant or anything about his financial position, he was not prepared to grant him credit. Defendant said that he was a reputable business man and offered to pay a deposit of $1,000. It was eventually arranged that if the deposit was given, defendant would be allowed credit to the extent of $2,000.

Continuing, Mr. Lo said that the deposit was paid, and the necessary instructions were given to the Accountant by the manager of the plaintiff firm. Defendant was supplied with a pass book and gave his first order in writing. Subsequent orders were, however, given verbally, but all goods delivered were acknowledged in the usual way.

After the Japanese Fleet had left, defendant was indebted to the plaintiffs to the extent of over $1,000, and there were also a quantity of mah jong sets which defendant had ordered and had not taken delivery.

The accountant of plaintiff firm had several interviews with the defendant with regard to payment of the amount due, and in one of the interviews, defendant handed a letter to the accountant asking him to take it back to the Sincere Co. The letter was to the effect that goods were returnable if not sold during the time the Fleet was here. The accountant refused to accept the letter and that was the last they heard of the incident.

Concluding, Mr. Lo said that the whole matter was purely a question of fact. The plaintiffs had agreed to sell to defendant at wholesale prices, which were substantially lower than what was charged to ordinary retail customers. In some cases it was as low as 25 per cent. Furthermore most of the goods ordered by the defendant were not in stock and they had to be purchased elsewhere with cash. "Why" asked counsel "should a firm like the Sincere Company say, 'We will let you have all the goods at a very low price and if you don't sell them, return them to us?"

Evidence was then given by Mr. Chan See. He corroborated Mr. Lo's opening and emphatically denied that he had ever entered into such an arrangement with the defendant. The only terms that he knew of were that the defendant was to be given credit and to be supplied with goods at wholesale prices, but this was not done until the defendant had paid a deposit of $1,000.

THE DEFENCE.

Giving evidence for the defence, Mr. T. Yoshie, one of the members of the combine, said that he is engaged in import and export business, his head office is in Canton and he has a branch in 27, Queen's Road Central. They formed the combine a few days previous to the arrival of the Japanese Fleet. For the purpose of their venture, witness called on several stores to arrange for the supply of various goods. He also called on Sincere Company with a man named Yu Chai Chun. The latter introduced witness to a clansman named Yp Chai Tung, who was an employee of the plaintiff firm.

They explained the nature of their business to Yu Chai Tung, but the latter said that he had not got the power to decide, and they all went up to interview the manager, Mr. Chan See.

Witness said that he explained everything to Yu Chai Chun in Japanese, who interpreted it in Chinese to Mr. Chan See. Witness also understood Chinese and he knew that his proposal was not being misinterpreted. Mr. Chan See, witness said, agreed to the proposal and witness to make doubly sure spoke to Mr. Chan See in English saying "Do you agree?" Mr. Chan See replied in English that it was quite alright and that witness need not worry about paying a deposit. Mr. Chan See was also alleged to have said that as the business would only last five days, the accounts could be settled when the whole matter was over.

Witness added that he suggested to Mr. Chan See that they should have the agreement put in writing, whereupon, Mr. Chan See was supposed to have said, "I am the manager here, and whatever I say, holds good."

Surprised At Sincere's Prices.

Witness then left the store and went back to hold a consultation with his colleagues. He returned to Sincere's the next day with two other members of the combine. There in the presence of Mr. Chan See they went over the whole matter again by way of confirming what had been said in the previous day. After that the deposit of $1,000 was handed over to Mr. Chan See.

Questioned by Mr. Wadeson as to the prices of the various articles supplied by the Sincere Company, witness said that he had an estimate from plaintiffs and to his great surprise he found that the prices were higher than anywhere else in the Colony. "Yes, I was very much surprised, and yet the Sincere Co. always say that they charge the cheapest price."

A Buddhist's Ceremony.

To further questions put to him by Mr. Wadeson, witness said that after several interviews with the accountant of the plaintiff firm, an offer was made that if he would take delivery of the 100 sets of mah jong, the Sincere Company would accept the return of other unsold goods.

As to why he was not able to produce Yu Chai Chun who acted as interpreter, witness said that Yu was away on account of the death of his mother. It was now the seventh week after the death of Yu's mother and according to the Buddhists, a big ceremony had to be held.

Not Careful Enough.

Mr. Lo (in cross-examination):—You have mentioned this wonderful Buddhist ceremony, but what about the eighth week, could Yu Chai Tung return then? You know his Lordship is rather indulgent in granting a long adjournment? Oh, yes, he can come back then.

In answer to further questions, witness admitted that he knew it was very important to have written agreemens in any busiess deal, and when asked why he could not have inserted the words "To be returned if not sold," on the written order which he gave to plaintiffs for the 100 sets of mah jong, he admitted that he was not careful enough and besides he trusted Mr. Chan See. He would not, as a business man, undertake to supply goods when he had to get them from elsewhere by paying cash, to be returned if not sold.

Witness, under further cross-examination, admitted that he knew it was usual to write for confirmation after a verbal arrangement had been made. He had done so himself on several occasions, but in this particular instance, he had forgotten to do so. It would be a serious matter for him if he was left with unsold goods on hand and he would undoubtedly do his best to try to get them returned.

At this stage, Mr. Wadeson said that he would abandon his counter-claim. The case was then adjourned until August 16th at 2.15 p.m.

THE AERODROME AT KAI TAK.

HOME GOVERNMENT CUTS DOWN ITS CONTRIBUTION.

COLONY TO FIND MORE MONEY.

TOTAL COST $3,131,950.

It was fondly anticipated at one time that the Imperial Government would pay three-quarters of the cost of the Kai Tak Aerodrome. The aerodrome was estimated to cost $2,378,000. A contribution of $1,783,500 was expected from Home, leaving $594,500 to be raised by the Colony.

These anticipations have not materialised. The Imperial Government have fixed their contribution at £100,000 or a million dollars. The reason is not given. The Colony, is therefore, saddled with providing the extra $785,500. Then the cost of the work has exceeded the estimate by $151,250, which makes the Colony's liability $1,529,250 instead of $594,500. Add to this $602,700 for harbour dredging and the grand total of Hong Kong's expenditure on the scheme is $2,131,950.

A million dollars was ear marked for this purpose from the Public Works loan and at the Legislative Council yesterday afternoon the Colonial Secretary moved a resolution authorising the allocation of another $500,000 from the loans towards the aerodrome. This half million had previously been scheduled as for "other public works."

The resolution was approved, but this still leaves $631,950 to be raised.

The Colonial Secretary said:—Sir, the explanation of the resolution on the agenda paper dealing with the allocation of further funds for the construction of the Kai Tak aerodrome is best begun by a reference to your own speech in this Council in September, 1927. Hansard of that year, page 69, shows that the total estimated cost of the Aerodrome was then $2,378,000 of which it was expected that the Imperial Government would pay three quarters, that is $1,783,500. The cost to the Colony of Kai Tak under these circumstances would have been $594,500.

The Imperial Government subscription towards Kai Tak has, however, been fixed at £100,000—say $1,000,000—leaving the Colony to find a further $783,500 on this account. Further again, the estimate for the completion of the work and for the necessary resumptions has been increased by a total of $151,250 which, therefore, makes the total is be found by the Colony for Kai Tak $1,529,250. One million from the Authorised Loan of $5,000,000 was set apart for expenditure for Kai Tak and for Harbour dredging, $602,700 being estimated as required for Harbour dredging. The total to be expended on Harbour dredging and the formation of Kai Tak is now:—

Harbour dredging	$ 602,700
Kai Tak	2,529,250
Total	$3,131,950
Provided by Imperial Government	1,000,000
	$2,131,950
From Loan	1,000,000
	$1,131,950

still to be found by the Colony.

$500,000 of the Authorised Loan of $5,000,000 was left unallocated, and it is for the transfer of this sum to the Kai Tak account to enable the work to continue that your authority is now requested.

The Colonial Secretary then moved the following resolution:—

Whereas by the provisions of section 3 of the Public Works Loan Ordinance, 1927, it is (*inter alia*) provided that the Governor may direct that any sums which may not be required for a purpose specified in the Schedule may be appropriated and applied to any other purpose therein specified subject to such transfer of money from one item of the Schedule to any other item thereof being approved by a resolution of the Legislative Council and by the Secretary of State.

And whereas His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government has directed that the sum of $500,000 allocated to item No. 3 of the Schedule, other public works, be appropriated and applied to item No. 2 of the Schedule, aerodrome and harbour development.

Now it is hereby resolved that the approval of the Legislative Council shall be and is hereby given to the transfer of the sum of $500,000 from item No. 3 to item No. 2 of the Schedule.

The Colonial Treasurer seconded and the resolution was passed.

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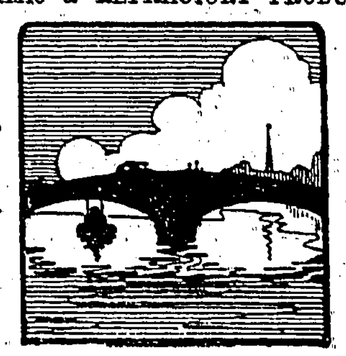

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In the North is a lull but a number of significant cables suggest that the coming 5th Plenary Session of the Kuomintang at Nanking will be of a stormy nature.

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Canton continues quiet during the absence of Marshal Li Tsai Hsin, who has accepted office in the North and is negotiating the proposed taking over of Manchuria by the Nationalists. Dr. Chao Hsin Chu has also left Canton to be formally installed at Nanking as Foreign Vice-Minister. He expects, however, to return in a fortnight.

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Details are given of the provisional Seaplane Club for Hong Kong and the interest felt here in aviation is reflected in the Government's request to the Legislative Council to authorise another $500,000 for Kai Tak aerodrome.

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CHINESE COMMISSION RULES AGAINST AMERICAN CONCERN.

APPEAL TO A HIGHER TRIBUNAL!

[FROM OUR SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT.]

CANTON, August 2nd.

The Arbitration Committee appointed by the Canton Municipal Government to arrange for a settlement of the telephone dispute between the Municipality and the Automatic Electric Inc., details of which have already been published in the *Daily Press*, has issued a "Critical Statement of Opinion" on the matter. The purpose of the Arbitration Committee, according to the Canton Municipality, is to study the matter from an impartial standpoint and to settle this dispute to the satisfaction of the Automatic Electric Inc. But Mr. Harry S. Janes, Attorney of the Automatic Electric Inc., is objecting to this Arbitration Committee on the ground this his client is neither represented nor given a hearing. The following in an extract from the "Critical Settlement of Opinion" of the Arbitration Committee.

It is understood that since Mr. Sun Fo concluded the agreement with the Automatic Electric Inc., on August 30th, 1926, no actions for carrying out the contract was taken by either party for a year and some months.

According to the report of Mr. Feng Wei, Head of the Public Utilies, to the Municipal meeting, efforts were made in June, 1927, to urge the Automatic Electric Inc. to commence the work.

To repeated requests Mr. Cannon, Engineer of the Company concerned, answered that he could do nothing in the matter and he left Kwangtung in September, 1927. According to Mr. Cannon's statement he would come back in three to five months' time. He did not return.

On these facts it is clear that the American Automatic Inc. failed to show the least intention of carrying out the contract.

According to Civil Law, when a contract is made without naming the date for execution, the party, which procrastinates after having been urged to carry out the work is liable to have the contract cancelled.

Since the American Automatic Electric Inc. is responsible for procrastination in carrying out the contract the Municipal Government has the right to abrogate the contract.

The Municipal Government has not paid the bargain-money and it is possible for it to cancel the contract as long as the Company concerned did not begin to execute same. The Municipal Government is free to make a new contract with the China Electric Co., Ltd., and its actions leave no room for a protest.

It is observed that in the Company's protest, it is stated that they were prepared to consider modifications of their contract if the Canton Municipality would take up the matter with them again. In this statement, the Company admits that the old contract needed modification. Such being the case, there can be no objection to the Municipal Government abrogating the old contract.

Our conclusion as members of the Arbitration Commission, is that the protest of the American Automatic Electric Inc., was made on no reasonable grounds, and should be disregarded. We have the honour to submit our opinions as above for your consideration.

Members of the Arbitration Commission:—Tu Chi Ti, Chairman of Lawyers' Association, Canton; Chiang Hsun, Chairman of Land Arbitration Bureau, Canton; Ho Ch'i Li, Teacher of Law School, Chung Shan University.

MR. JANES' REPLY.

Mr. Janes, upon receipt of the above document, made a reply. He said in a letter to the American Consul at Shameen that: "Unless we have due notice that the Municipal Government intend to recognize our rights under our contract and are prepared to proceed to fulfil their obligations thereunder, we reserve the rights to appeal to a higher tribunal." The following is a summary of the American Attorney's reply:—

Whereas it is claimed that no action was taken by either party, the Municipal Government both advertised the contract and collected a large sum of money, while the Automatic Electric Inc. sent an engineer to Canton to study the requirements for aerial and underground work. The Company did not agree to instal machinery within ten months. Sending the engineer to Canton proved the Company's good intention, and the delay in carrying out the contract was due to the failure of the Municipal Government to establish credit. The Government's claim to cancel the contract is illegal because the Company had every intention of carrying out the same. The Company are ready to consider modifications of the contract considered desirable by the Municipality. The question of bargain money does not arise since the contract calls only a confirmed credit which the Municipal Government agreed to finish.

CANTON'S AGED MOTORS.

RELEGATED TO ONE ROAD.

The automobiles plying for hire on the Shaho Road, Canton, are required to bear both the general licence and a special licence. Many of these autos, says the *Canton Gazette*, are in poor condition and should have been relegated to the scrap heap long ago.

Mr. Fung Wai, Commissioner of the Bureau of Public Utilities, is fully aware of the delapidated state of the cars being offered for public service, and recently ruled that the licences for these cars should not be renewed when the present term expires, and that new cars, or cars in proper condition, only would receive licences.

The car owners jointly petitioned for a modification of this order, saying that they were unable to raise the amount of cash necessary to buy new autos, and asking that some concession be made to enable them to continue in business.

Mr. Fung has decided to accede to the request, and the rule calling for new cars is now annulled. The present old cars will be allowed to ply for hire, but the licences are issued conditional on these cars keeping to the Shaho route only. They will not be permitted to ply for hire on any other road or part of the city. As a concession to offset this restriction, the car owners will be exempted from paying the general licence but must pay the special licence of $1.50 per day.

GOOD RICE HARVEST.

PRICES FALL IN CANTON.

With the suppression of bandit activity on the various rivers and waterways, and the disbandment of irregular troops which used to exact tribute from water-borne traffic in the shape of "protection fees," commercial activity in the inland waterways is increasing by leaps and bounds. Trading junks are now able to pursue their journeys unmolested, and country produce is moving freely.

In view of the peaceful conditions prevailing, certain enterprising merchants have entered into working arrangements with some of the trading junk people, and large quantities of firewood are finding their way into Canton. By close co-operation it has been found to cut costs down very markedly particularly since there is now no necessity to pay levies to the various lawless bands, and to-day firewood can be purchased at 80 catties for the dollar. It must be noted that this price does not prevail at all shops. It was not very long ago when the dollar could only buy 40 catties. With a continuance of present tranquil conditions, further drop in prices may yet be expected.

The rainfall in recent months has done wonders for the farmers, as rich rice harvests are reported from all districts, with the exception of the few parts where inundation from the rising river levels cause some damage. The abundant harvest coupled with the quiet and safe conditions of river transport has brought the price down steadily and the poorer classes of people are reaping the benefit.—*Canton Gazette.*

SALE OF RACE SWEEP TICKETS.

ARGUMENTS IN THE "ALPHONSE" CASE.

WINE DUTY CHARGE SETTLED.

Some interesting arguments on the legal status of race sweep tickets were heard before Mr. R. E. Lindsell at the Central Magistracy yesterday on the resumption of the case against M. Jean Hund, or "Alphonse," as he is known to a large circle in the Colony. He was summoned for bringing liquor into the Colony without paying duty and a subsequent charge of conducting a lottery arose when documents relating to Shanghai race tickets were found by the police in the house in Hankow Road where he was staying.

"Guilty" On Liquor Charge.

Mr. Leo d'Almada, who appeared for the defence, tendered a plea of guilty to the liquor charge and asked the Magistrate for leniency. He said that the defendant had been in the service of the Hong Kong Hotel and left with a good character. During the big strike the defendant worked in the Peak Hotel doing all the menial work to help things along and Peak residents" gratefully acknowledged his services.

Defendant, Counsel said, was latterly in Shanghai and brought with him certain samples of wines with the object of obtaining orders. He had no knowledge that samples were liable to duty and had no intention of evading duty. The duty, Counsel understood, amounted to $1.33, and no man in defendant's position would be so foolish as to run the risk of evading a small duty like that. He submitted that there was no guilty intent and asked for a nominal penalty.

A Revenue Officer had no remarks to make on the plea for the defence and his Worship imposed a fine of $10.

Conducting A Lottery.

Charges of possession of Shanghai race tickets and conducting a lottery were then proceeded with. His Worship asked Sub-Inspector Elston whether it was held that because the defendant had certain Shanghai sweep tickets for sale he was thereby conducting a lottery.

Sub-Inspector Elston: We hold that the house in Hankow Road where he was staying was his headquarters for conducting a lottery. In the house there were no tickets, but there were a number of documents relating to the lottery.

His Worship: What about the people who sell race tickets in Hong Kong?—Nobody is allowed to have agents in Hong Kong to sell sweep tickets in connection with foreign lotteries. If they are caught hawking tickets they are run in.

That is if they are caught. But do you make any attempt to catch them?—We do. Every sweep run in Hong Kong comes under our notice.

The Shanghai Champions.

His Worship remarked that it was strange that earlier action had not been taken by the police as regards sweep tickets sold in Hong Kong, notably the $10 sweep tickets on the Shanghai Champions.

Asked whether defendant admitted that he was selling the tickets, Mr. d'Almada asked his Worship to accept a plea of not guilty and to permit him to address the Bench on some points of great importance to the public in the matter of race sweep tickets and also to allow him to cross-examine Sub-Inspector Elston.

Police Visit To House.

Sub-Inspector Elston said that at 8.30 a.m. on July 25th he went to No. 15, Hankow Road, in company with Revenue Officer Grimmitt and a European Sergeant to execute a search warrant. Hund was in a back room and produced eight stubs of ticket books, two documents, and several carbon copies of receipts for money. In the pocket of a jacket claimed by defendant was a further stub and a letter.

During the cross-examination of witness Mr. d'Almada asked whether in view of the defendant's willingness to call on witness he could not have been saved the disgrace of a warrant and arrest and summoned instead.

His Worship interposed to say that the warrant was one for search.

Mr. d'Almada: Yes, and to arrest defendant if anything was found.

Mr. d'Almada: You went to his house at 8.30 in the morning?—Yes.

He was not allowed to have his breakfast but was taken to the Police Station straight away?—No.

He asked to have his breakfast?—He asked for a cup of tea and it was brought to him in the boarding house.

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Sweep Tickets Sold Locally.

Witness was then questioned about local and foreign sweep tickets. He said that he knew Shanghai tickets came here, but he had not known a case before of an agent having been sent down to sell them.

Mr. d'Almada suggested to witness that Calcutta Turf Club sweep tickets were obtainable at a local bank.

His Worship remarked that it was different as applicants were merely allotted a number.

Mr. d'Almada said that it came to the same thing in the long run.

The case was adjourned.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

TWO NEW ORDINANCES PASSED.

MEETING OF FINANCE COMMITTEE.

At the meeting of the Legislative Council yesterday afternoon, the two principal items on the agenda were the statement by H.E. The Officer Administering the Government regarding the water shortage, and the resolution proposed by the Colonial Secretary authorising the allocation of another $500,000 from the Public Works loan towards defraying the cost of the Kai Tak aerodrome.

These matters are reported elsewhere in this issue. The only other business was the formal passing of the Companies Amendment Ordinance and the Widows' and Orphans' Pension Amendment Ordinance. These Ordinances were read a second time, taken through the Committee stage, read a third time and approved.

Those present at the Council meeting were H.E. The Officer Administering the Government, H.E. The General Officer Commanding the Troops (Major-General C. C. Luard), the Colonial Secretary, the Attorney-General, the Colonial Treasurer, the Director of Public Works, the Captain Superintendent of Police, the Secretary for Chinese Affairs, the Hon. Mr. A. C. Hynes, the Hon. Dr. R. H. Kotewall, C.M.G., the Hon. Mr. J. Owen Hughes, the Hon. C. G. S. Mackie, and Mr. H. R. Butters (Deputy Clerk of Councils).

FINANCE COMMITTEE.

A meeting of the Finance Committee was held after the Legislative Council, the Colonial Secretary presiding. The votes totalling $147,505 contained in message No. 9 from H.E. The Officer Administering the Government were considered.

The details of these votes have already been published in the *Daily Press*. All were approved.

Referring to the vote of $91,440 for expenditure on improvements in the wireless telegraphy department, the Hon. Mr. J. Owen Hughes asked what increased revenue was expected from wireless messages to meet the proposed increased expenditure.

The Colonial Secretary said it was impossible to forecast, but the revenue from wireless was growing very rapidly.

In connection with the vote of $15,000 for steel filing cabinets for the Colonial Secretariat, the Hon. Mr. A. C. Hynes asked if these cabinets were of British manufacture. Being assured by the Colonial Secretary that they were he expressed his agreement with the expenditure.

The Hon. Mr. J. Owen Hughes concurred. He had, he said, seen the old files and was certainly of opinion that new ones should be purchased.

THE INSTONE BANKING CORPORATION.

CANTON CHAMBER OF COMMERCE ASSISTS.

ACTS AS RECEIVER FOR CANTON BRANCH.

The difficulty in which the Instone Banking Corporation have been placed by the Canton Government sealing up the vaults of the Canton and Shekki branches, because the Corporation refused to register as a Chinese concern has been temporarily settled as far as the Canton branch is concerned.

The Canton Chamber of Commerce, with the permission of the Government is acting as receiver and has paid back the money due to depositors of this branch. A surplus remains of between $40,000 and $50,000 and this money will not handed over unless a request is made by a consular authority.

The majority of this money comes from the Shekki branch, having been transferred from there to the newer branch. No action has been taken at Shekki where the bank remains sealed up.

THE WATER SHORTAGE.

GOVERNMENT'S STATEMENT.

QUESTION REFERRED TO SECRETARY OF STATE.

AWAITING A REPLY.

As was expected H.E. the Officer Administering the Government made a statement regarding the water shortage in the Colony at the meeting of the Legislative Council yesterday afternoon.

One curious fact emerged from His Excellency's speech.

The Aberdeen water supply scheme was drawn up and submitted to the Secretary of State for approval before it had been considered by the Public Works Committee.

This seems to be a reversal of constitutional procedure and has led to the present deadlock. The Aberdeen scheme was approved provisionally by the Secretary of State, but when it came before the members of the Public Works Committee it did not meet with unanimous support. H.E. the Officer Administering the Government has, therefore, cabled the views of the Committee to the Secretary of State and is awaiting his reply.

It was not stated why the Public Works Committee refused to sanction the Aberdeen scheme, but it is generally understood that the members were in favour of pipe lines across the harbour, and were of opinion that they should be laid before other work was undertaken.

H.E. The Officer Administering the Government said:—Honourable Members of the Legislative Council,—The Government is greatly concerned at the hardships caused by the water shortage now being experienced by the citizens of Victoria, especially in the western end of the City, which have been pressed on my attention by the Honourable the Second Chinese Member. This shortage is caused by an increase in consumption, coupled with a peculiarly uneven distribution of an otherwise plentiful rainfall, which has resulted in Pokfulam reservoir catchment receiving only about half the rainfall received by the Tytam catchment areas this year. It is the Pokfulam reservoir on which the Government depends to supplement the otherwise inadequate supply of water from Tytam to the western end of the city, and this reservoir is now seriously depleted. The supply from Tytam is governed by a conduit designed to carry seven million gallons a day, through which the engineers are now passing eight million gallons a day, and every possible step is being taken to mitigate the admitted hardships of the poorer classes. These steps include the opening of eleven new fountains, which are as many as the engineers consider practicable, and the patrolling of the restricted areas by waterworks overseers to ascertain and so far as possible mitigate any exceptional hardships.

The introduction of restriction during the hottest of the hot weather is, not unnaturally, giving rise to questions as to the policy of the Government in connection with the increase of the water supply. As Honourable Members are no doubt aware, the question is one which His Excellency Sir Cecil Clementi took up within a few days of his return to the Colony as Governor. A careful survey of the situation convinced the Governor that the proper course for this Colony to pursue as regards the water supply on the Island was first to use all the available resources on Hong Kong Island itself. These resources were exhaustively examined on Sir Cecil's instructions, and the Aberdeen water supply scheme was considered to afford the best possible improvement of the Island's water supply. The scheme was submitted to the Secretary of State for the Colonies with the least possible delay, and has received his provisional approval.

When, however, this scheme was considered by the Public Works Committee of this Council it was found that the scheme did not meet with full approval. I have now referred the views of the Committee by telegraph to the Secretary of State, and am awaiting his reply before seeking the approval of this Council for the financial provision which will be necessary to carry out such scheme as may be approved. The matter will be brought before the Council at the earliest possible date.

(*Continued on next Column*).

THE RAINFALL.

Last year there were 107.88 inches of rain. Such a rainfall in the Colony has never been exceeded and has only been equalled during one previous year—1920. In 1926 we had over 100 inches and in 1925, 87.59 inches. The approximate average rainfall for the past ten years has been 94 inches a year. For the period 1902-11 the mean average rainfall was 84 inches and for the ten years 1895-1901, 68 inches.

We have already had over 50 inches of rain this year and therefore are well above the average. Many now anticipate that we must calculate upon a series of years with small rainfall.

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"That the regulations contained in the printed document submitted to the Meeting (a Copy whereof may be seen at the Club's Registered Office) and for the purpose of Identification subscribed by the Captain thereof be and the same are hereby approved and that such regulations be and they are hereby adopted as the Articles of the Club in substitution for, and to the exclusion of, all existing Articles thereof."

And NOTICE IS HEREBY also GIVEN that a further EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the MEMBERS of the above Club will be held at the Registered Office of the Club, YORK BUILDING aforesaid on the 30TH DAY of AUGUST, 1928, at 5.15 O'CLOCK in the AFTERNOON for the purpose of receiving a Report of the Proceedings at the above mentioned Meeting, and of confirming, if thought fit, as a Special Resolution the above mentioned resolution.

Dated the Third day of August, 1928.

By Order of the Committee,
B. O. BLAKER,
Acting Secretary.
[6570

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AN INTERIM DIVIDEND of Sixty Cents Per Share has been declared Payable on WEDNESDAY, 22ND AUGUST NEXT, on and after which Date Dividend Warrants may be obtained upon Application at the REGISTERED OFFICE of the Company, CANAL ROAD EAST, BOWRINGTON, Hong Kong.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the REGISTER OF MEMBERS of the Company will be CLOSED from WEDNESDAY, 8TH AUGUST, to TUESDAY, 21ST AUGUST, 1928, Both Days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
L. C. F. BELLAMY,
General Manager.
Hong Kong, 30th July, 1928. [6560

NOTICE.

THE Undermentioned Certificates for 300 Shares in this Company, standing in the Name of JOHN MAGNAB, Deceased, late of 2, GLENCAIRN DRIVE, POLLOKSHIELDS, GLASGOW, have been LOST, and if at the Expiration of One Month from the Date hereof the following Share Certificates be not forthcoming, Other Certificates for the said Shares will be issued by the Company and thereafter No Other will be acknowledged:—

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IN THE SUPREME COURT OF HONG KONG.

ORIGINAL JURISDICTION.

MISCELLANEOUS PROCEEDINGS No. 27 OF 1928.

IN THE MATTER OF WILLIAM POWELL, LTD. (AND REDUCED)

AND

IN THE MATTER OF THE COMPANIES ORDINANCE, 1911.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that A Petition presented to the Supreme Court of Hong Kong on the 4th Day of JULY, 1928, for confirming the Reduction of the Capital of the above Company from $350,000.00 to $100,000.00 is directed to be heard before His Honour Sir HENRY COWPER GOLLAN, Knight, C.B.E., on WEDNESDAY, the 8TH DAY OF AUGUST, 1928, at 10.30 O'CLOCK in the FORENOON.

Any Creditor or Shareholder of the Company desiring to oppose the making of an Order for reducing the Capital of the said Company under the above Ordinance should appear at the Time of Hearing by himself or his Counsel for that purpose.

A Copy of the Petition will be furnished to any Creditor or Shareholder of the Company requiring the same by the Undersigned on payment of the regulated Charges for the same.

DEACONS,
Solicitors for the Company,
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INTIMATIONS.

BANK HOLIDAY.

IN Accordance with Ordinance No. 5 of 1912, the EXCHANGE BANKS will be CLOSED for the TRANSACTION of PUBLIC BUSINESS on MONDAY, the 6TH AUGUST.
Hong Kong, 31st July, 1928. [6563

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BIRTH.

GRAVES.—On August 2nd, at Victoria Hospital, Peak, to Mr. and Mrs. H. GRAVES, a son. [6569

The Daily Press.

HONG KONG, AUGUST 3RD, 1928.

BOLSHEVISM.

SEVERAL books have appeared during the last year or two dealing with the progress of the political experiment in Russia. None, except those produced by the leaders themselves, give a rose-coloured view of the situation. The dictatorship of the proletariat is obviously less enlightened than was the dictatorship of those who have been displaced. On the assumption that it is better to have more intelligence in the government that less, it is clear that when those who have a certain measure of education are eliminated and replaced by those who are undeveloped mentally, things must go backward and not forward.

Bolshevism, it is truly said, is a creed that demands profound faith, but it furnishes little hope, and knows not charity. Its source is in despair, degradation and oppression. It is tainted from the beginning, possessing none of the virtues that sometimes spring from the lower social strata; it is wedded to the worst features of human nature. Its motive force is suffering, hatred and revenge, and because of that it cannot win its way to acceptance throughout the world. Unlike Christianity it comes to destroy and not to fulfil. It comes with the sword in one hand and hate in the other. Christianity came with the sword, too, in one hand to cut out the world's vices, but love and charity were borne in the other hand. The two ideals are poles asunder as, of course, the supporters of the Bolshevik creed cheerfully admit. Christianity stands in their way, but LENIN will have to acknowledge that the Galilean has conquered in the end. The more we recede from the terrible effects of the world war with its jealousies and hatred, the more do we part company with the Bolshevik creed. The creation of decent international and social relationship spells disaster for this doctrine. No nation which has found stability by a traditional method is likely to discard that system when it is doing what another system only professes to do and has not yet succeeded in doing. The fact is Europe has found the antidote to revolution in education which is now widespread, and in the gradual adjustment of the State to meet new conditions. It is obvious that the power of Germany to withstand the menace of the Bolshevik creed, in the midst of her economic difficulties due to the crushing defeat she suffered in the war, is derived from the developed intelligence with which she has faced the situation. Quack remedies and short cuts to the millennium are always an allure to those who are in the depths of despair, unless there is a quickened intelligence to realise that the gambler's last throw is generally his last throw and not the first on the road to fortune.

The way to economic happiness is still by maximum individual effort, guided by the trusted leaders and the best scientists and thinkers who point the direction of that effort to secure the best results. The Bolshevik doctrine lacks that spiritual and scientific guidance, and is bound to fail so long as its onward march depends on the energy derived from the lower of the human instincts and so long as it suppresses the divine spark of love which is "in every human creature." The aim of the true reformer must be to secure the welfare of the community as a whole. He must aim at securing co-operation of the various elements if his measures are to be permanent. He must aim at the elevation of the life of the lower classes, not at the destruction or degradation of those above. While agreeing that the conditions in Russia in pre-war days were peculiar, some would say peculiarly bad, the solution of the problem was not the widening of the breach of the classes, or the attempt to extinguish the bourgeois class, but rather the propagation of the doctrine that every man is his brother's keeper, and all are responsible for the welfare of all. It is the doctrine of social service which must be preached to-day, if the different nations are to win their way back to peace in our time.

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The Palace Hotel's new billiard saloon is to be opened this evening at 6 p.m. when an exhibition match will be played.

A Chinese woman fell into the street from the second floor of No. 252, Des Voeux Road while she was drying clothes. She was taken to the Government Civil Hospital but died an hour after admission.

A Chinese shop-keeper was charged at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday morning with having seven tins of kerosene in his shop which were not stored as required by the regulations. Defendant pleaded guilty and was fined $20.

A Police report states that a warrant has been issued for the apprehension of a Chinese named Lam Ping Man who is alleged to have embezzled on various dates about $300 belonging to the Sheung Wan Tai Tung restaurant, of 234, Des Voeux Road West.

A Chinese was fined $4 by Mr. W. Schofield at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday for carrying a chicken by a piece of string tied around its wings. Another Chinese had to pay $3 for carrying ten ducks in a crate which only had room for four or five.

The Radio Telegraph Office announces that the direct service to Yunnanfu has now been entirely changed to the modern system of short wave transmission and reception and that telegrams sent by this route are no longer subject to delay by bad atmospheric conditions.

For allowing his dog to wander about the Tai Wan Bathing Beach without a muzzle, Mr. J. W. Matthews, of No. 1, Waverley Terrace, Kowloon Docks, was fined $5 by Mr. W. Schofield at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday. Mr. Matthews said that he had been away for the past six weeks, and had entrusted his dog to the care of the house-boy.

A rickshaw coolie told Mr. W. Schofield at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday morning when he was charged with "cutting" the corner at Nathan Road and Argyle Street, that the police constable there was not carrying out his duties properly. Instead of standing in the middle of the road, the constable was in the shade at the side of the road. Defendant was fined $1.

On July 21st in Singapore before the Hon. Mr. P. J. Sproule, Acting Chief Justice, Mr. A. J. Braga was admitted to practice at the Bar. Mr. A. J. Braga has joined Mr. Claude da Silva's office and takes over the practice, when the latter goes on leave in August. Mr. Braga is a Hong Kong boy and was at one time an articled clerk to the late Mr. G. E. Haywood. He was also for a time travelling representative of the Vacuum Oil Co.

THE LAW OF PERPETUITIES.

"PARTNERSHIP GOOD FOR EVER."

DISSOLUTION ORDER MADE.

A partnership entered into by five Chinese merchants in 1904 and which was to "hold good for ever," was dissolved yesterday morning by order of the Chief Justice, Sir Henry Gollan, at the Supreme Court, because it offended the Law of Perpetuities applying in the Colony.

The application for the dissolution of the partnership was made by Mr. C. G. Alabaster, K.C., instructed by Messrs. G. E. Hall Brutton & Co. on behalf of four partners of the amalgamated firms—Kwan Wo Chan and Fat Lee Kwan firms. The partners were Chan Pu Hin, Chan Yee Hau (of No. 15 Peak Road), and Chan Chok Chau and Mak Sik Tung, both of No. 41, Ko Shing Street.

The defendant in the case was Chan Chuk Kwan, who was stated to be the managing partner. He was not in Court neither was he legally represented. The application was therefore heard *ex parte*.

Counsel told the Court that a certain clause in the articles of association made the partnership hold good for ever, but that had become void by reason of the fact that other partners in the firm had been allowed to retire in 1920, 1925 and 1927. It was also void because it offended the Law of Perpetuities.

Going into the facts of the case, Mr. Alabaster said that when the two firms amalgamated, one had a capital of $20,000 and the other $19,300, and that although accumulated profits amounting to $200,000 had been referred to in the documents, the yearly profits had in fact dwindled down to $20,000 and even as low as $10,000. A receipt was also produced signed by the absent defendant for $3,300.

In reply to his Lordship Counsel said that he believed the defendant was in hiding.

The Chief Justice made an order for the dissolution of the partnership to date from July 19th, 1928, and also directed that an account be taken by the Registrar on the basis of a balance sheet in court.

Orders were also made against the defendant with costs for the payment of the amount due, and that a person should be appointed to receive shares standing in the defendant's name in the Bank of East Asia.

GIRL WHO RAN AWAY FROM HOME.

CHANCE MEETING WITH UNCLE AND HER RESCUE.

The proprietress of an alleged house of ill-fame, run without a license appeared before Major C. Willson at the Central Magistracy yesterday afternoon for keeping a sly brothel, and harbouring a young girl of 15.

Mr. H. T. Williams of the S.C.A. Office prosecuted and Mr. Hin Shing Lo (instructed by Mr. C. A. S. Russ) appeared on behalf of the defendant.

Mr. Williams said that the girl was 15 years of age and hitherto had lived with her parents at No. 15, Peel Street. The girl had a quarrel with her parents and ran away staying with some friends for over a month. These people then left for Canton leaving the girl at a loose end. She was accosted one evening at a tea house by an old woman who introduced her to the defendant. This woman took her to the house in question where she stayed for about 3 weeks. It happened that an uncle of the girl lived next door and one day saw her leaving the premises. He guessed what had happened and spoke to the proprietress asking her to send the girl along to him. The girl was brought by the defendant and on arriving at his flat he made the girl stay at the house and took the defendant to the Police Station.

Two other woman were arrested at the same house but Mr. Williams, said he was not taking proceedings against them owing to lack of sufficient evidence.

Mr. Lo remarked that they were being held under the deportation Ordinance and might be called as witness.

The girl said that she was accosted by an old woman and went with her to the defendant's house. Evidence was then given as to the kind of life she lived there. After about three weeks, she was sent for, and on arriving at the place named found her uncle there. He refused to allow her to go, and arrested the defendant and took her to the Police Station.

The hearing was then adjourned till 11 a.m., on Saturday morning.

WEATHER REPORT.

Yesterday's weather report, forecast and remarks, issued by the Royal Observatory at 4.30 p.m., stated:—

Pressure changes are slight since this morning.

Local Forecast:—S.W. winds, moderate, fine.

"A FEARFUL NUISANCE."

NIGHT WORK AND KOWLOON RESIDENTS.

CONTRACTOR WITH "NO SENSE OF TIME."

When a building contractor was summoned before Mr. W. Schofield, at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday for doing work at night and thereby causing annoyance to residents in that locality, it was stated by the police that the defendant had no idea of time. He considered the police his time-keepers, and he would work until told by them to stop. Defendant said that he had instructed his workmen to stop work as soon as the lights of the Star Theatre were extinguished each night.

His Worship said that if the defendant could get the Star Theatre to put out their lights before 11 p.m., that might help his case.

The summons was brought against the contractor as a result of several complaints made by residents living near the junction of Peking and Nathan Roads, where a block of houses are under construction. Captain Austin, R.A., and Mr. Gorbett were also in Court as representatives of the residents concerned.

Defendant pleaded that he had undertaken to complete the houses in nine months. Work was began in March and owing to the hot weather, not much work could be done and for each day's delay, he would suffer a loss of $150.

In reply to his Worship, Sergt. Ellis who was in charge of the case, said that the noise complained of was the hammering of boards into position.

His Worship:—There was a case exactly similar to this in Kimberley Road not long ago. In that case a compromise was arrived at and it was agreed that work should stop at 9 p.m. Would the complainants in this case have any objection for an order to be made requiring the defendant to stop work at 9 p.m.?

Capt. Austin then told the Court that the noise was a fearful nuisance. The workmen incessantly hammered at boards up to 11 p.m.

His Worship then ordered the defendant to cease all noisy works by 9 p.m. saying that it was dangerous to people's health to be disturbed at night.

THE TABLES TURNED.

COMPLAINANT FACES UNUSUAL SITUATION.

DEFENDANTS GET COMPENSATION.

The protracted case in which two Chinese were charged with forcing a compatriot to join a triad society and with demanding from him the sum of $33 by means of threats, took a rather unusual turn yesterday when it was resumed before Mr. Schofield at the Kowloon Magistracy.

The tables were suddenly turned on the complainant and the case ended with both defendants being awarded compensation of $25 each.

Mr. F. H. Loseby appeared for the first defendant and the Mr. Leo d'Almada represented the second. Sub-Insp. Carey was for the prosecution.

After evidence had been taken, Sub-Insp. Carey told his Worship that complainant had told an entirely different story in Court to the one he told at the offices of the Secretariat for Chinese Affairs.

Mr. d'Almada and Mr. Loseby addressed the Court at some length and concluded by asking for compensation for both the defendants if his Worship found in their favour.

His Worship in acquitting the defendants of the charges, said they were entitled to compensation of $25 each as the charges brought against them were false. The Magistrate told the complainant that he need not pay the money if he could give a satisfactory explanation in connection with the case, and that he would adjourn the case until August 9th in order that the complainant could think it over. The District Watchman who gave evidence on behalf of the complainant and who had been accused of perjury in a previous hearing, was ordered to be dealt with departmentally.

CHINA ROAD BUILDING.

NEW HIGHWAY IN EASTERN DISTRICT.

In the road construction programme of the Eastern region, a public highway between Swatow Wailoy is considered to be of prime importance, and it is hope to have this started at the earliest possible moment.

The method of communication between these two towns at present is by means of junks which ply along the Han River. This river possesses certain difficulties in the way of navigation and is passable to medium size junks only. This lack of proper means of communication is recognised as a hindrance to the development of the surrounding district, hence the public highway is to be built as the most urgent need in the work of rehabilitation.—*Canton Gazette*.

ATTACKED IN BROAD DAYLIGHT.

REVENGE OR ROBBERY?

VICTIM SERIOUSLY WOUNDED.

A case of a man being attacked in broad daylight was reported to the Police yesterday afternoon by a Chinese tailor, named Sang Heung San, aged 27, who was admitted later to the Government Civil Hospital, suffering from a number of wounds on the head and a contused wound on the left arm.

Although the police report described the incident as armed highway robbery, rumours were current among the Chinese that the unfortunate man was attacked out of revenge.

According to the injured man, it appears that he left his place of business, the Kang Sang tailor shop, at No. 90, Nathan Road, Kowloon, at 2.30 p.m. to cross the harbour to visit a friend at the Ching Ching Kee Ningpo Seamen's boarding house, in Third Street, Saiyunpun.

He went up to the boarding house but found that his friend was out. Just as he was descending the last steps, three or four Ningpo unemployed seamen intercepted him. One of them named Ah King or Kan asked Sang to lend him some money, and when told that he had no money on him, suggested that Sang should pawn his long gown.

Meeting with a refusal, the men made a concerted attack on the tailor, and according to his statement one of them was armed with what appeared to be an axe. The poor man was badly cut about before he fainted. On regaining consciousness, he took a rickshaw and made his way to No. 7 Police Station, and from there was taken to the Government Civil Hospital. His condition is described as serious.

It was later ascertained that the attackers had taken from the injured man's pocket $4.45 and a pair of spectacles. Near the scene of the attack, the police discovered two large files with which it was presumed that the injuries had been inflicted.

A minute description of the footpads were given to the Police, but up to a late hour last night, no arrests had been made.

THE S.S. "GORJISTAN."

PUT UP FOR AUCTION YESTERDAY.

$93,000 HIGHEST OFFER BUT NOT SOLD.

The s.s. *Gorjistan* was yesterday by order of the Supreme Court put up for auction by Messrs. Lammert Bros. There was a fairly large attendance at the firm's sale room but bidding was not brisk.

Opened at $85,000 a sum of $93,000 was eventually reached by bids of $1,000 each time. The vessel, however, was withdrawn from the sale.

It will be recalled that several judgments have been given against the vessel recently at the Supreme Court in favour of master, officers and crew for wages and bonuses due, also to the Hong Kong and Whampoa Dock Co. for repairs, and to a Chinese firm and the United Asbestos Oriental Agency for supplies.

Particulars Of The Ship.

The *Gorjistan* is a British vessel, registered in Hong Kong, and has a tonnage of 4,561 tons gross and of 2,916 tons nett. The vessel has accommodation for 27 first class passengers, 24 second class passengers and 1,551 deck passengers and is fitted with electric light. She was built by Messrs. Armstrong Mitchell and Co. of Newcastle on Tyne, England.

The dimensions of the ship are:—length B.P. 360 feet, length over all 376 feet, breadth 47 feet, moulded depth 30 feet 7 inches. She has a speed of eleven knots and is fitted for either coal or oil fuel.

The wireless apparatus, which is the property of the Marconi Co. was not included in the sale.

SUNSET OVER THE ISLES.

HONG KONG.

The darkness deepens: gold and flame
Fade to a brassy hue. The old
Knob, tow'ring 'gainst the heavens, looms
O'ershadowing, protective, bold.

The fervent blue of isles and sea—
By contrast with the brazen sky—
Pulsating infinitely low,
Breathes out the even's last soft sigh.

A point of light; a row of points:
The fishers out at sea. A star,
In heaven's cloud-flung depths, so bright,
'T would seem the key-note struck afar.

To which the whole world echoing
In one grand harmony doth ring.

EVE LYNN.

EXTREMISTS AND THE FIFTH PLENARY SESSION.

RAPID NATIONALIST ADVANCE ON NORTHERNERS.

PROTECTION OF FOREIGNERS AT TANGSHAN.

RUMOURS OF YEN HSI SHAN'S RETIREMENT TO SHANSI.

There is some mystery and much speculation over the future intention of Yen Hsi Shan. That he is in fact suffering from appendicitis is generally admitted, and he has just applied for a week's sick leave on the advice of his medical attendants. There are, however, persistent rumours that he does not intend to take up again the post of Commander-in-Chief at Peking and Tientsin, but instead will retire to his own province of Shansi and remain there. Colour is lent to this rumour by the fact that by far the greater part of the Shansi garrisons in these towns have been ordered to return to Taiyuanfu.

The question of the admission of the Left Wing extremists to the Fifth Plenary Session has raised a great deal of discussion for opinion is greatly divided. The final result of the conference, which lasted for two hours, was not disclosed. One member has stated that a resolution was passed at the 4th Plenary Conference last year excluding the extremist members of the Left Wing, in consequence of which they cannot be entitled to attend the present session.

Marshal Chiang Kai Shek has issued strict orders to the Nationalist soldiers who are making an expedition against the Chihli and Shantung troops within the Great Wall. Though these troops are to be exterminated, the greatest care is to be taken that no harm comes to the lives and property of foreign residents, especially those in the mining area of Tangshan.

MYSTERY OF YEN HSI SHAN.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

PEKING, Aug. 2nd.

Yen Hsi Shan has telegraphed to Nanking from Taiyuanfu, requesting a week's sick leave on the advice of his medical attendants.

While there appears to be no doubt that Yen Hsi Shan is seriously ill, his movements are causing considerable speculation here. It is reported that he does not intend to return to Peking to reassume the duties of Commander-in-Chief at Peking and Tientsin.

Weight is given to this report by the fact that large numbers of Shansi troops are returning to their home province. It is reliably stated that ten divisions are returning to Taiyuan, leaving only three divisions to garrison Peking and Tientsin.

HIS REPRESENTATIVE.

(*Wah Tsz Yat Pao.*)

SHANGHAI, Aug. 2nd.

Marshal Yen Hsi Shan has telegraphed to the Nationalist Government asking for one week's sick leave. He says that he will send his representative, Mr. Wen Shiu Chun, to represent him at the Fifth Plenary Session.

EXTREMIST MEMBERS.

(*Wah Tsz Yat Pao*).

SHANGHAI, Aug. 2nd.

The executive members of the Central Executive Committee held a private meeting in Mr. Chang Ching Kiang's residence for the sole purpose of considering the advisability of admitting the Left Wing members to the Plenary Session. Discussions lasted about two hours but the result is not known outside. According to General Li Lieh Chun's statement the 4th Plenary Session called last year had passed a resolution to dismiss the "Leftist" members and therefore now they have no right to attend the present session.

According to the opinion of most of the C.E.C. members the "Leftist" members' proposition of abolishing branch political commissions in all provinces is practically impossible.

CHU CHAO HSIN.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

SHANGHAI, Aug. 2nd.

Chu Chao Hsin has arrived here from Hong Kong, and is going to Nanking this evening to assume the post of Vice-Minister of Foreign Affairs.

FOREIGNERS AT TANGSHAN.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

SHANGHAI, Aug. 2nd.

Nationalist troops are rapidly advancing against the former Chihli and Shantung forces within the Great Wall, says the *Kuomin*, adding that Chiang Kai Shek has telegraphed to his Generals that while all Chihli-Shantung troops within the Great Wall must be completely exterminated within the shortest time, attention must be paid to the protection of foreign residents and property, specially at Tangshan and Luanchow.

RAILWAY OFFICES.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

SHANGHAI, Aug. 2nd.

The *Kuo Min* states that the head office of the Tientsin-Pukow Railway is being removed to Pukow from Tientsin.

GERMAN LEGATION.

(*Wah Tsz Yat Pao.*)

SHANGHAI, Aug. 2nd.

The German Minister at Peking has decided to transfer the German Legation to Nanking. He is now looking for a fitting site in Nanking for the occupation of the Legation. It is understood that Germany will act independently of other Powers in shaping China policy.

JAPAN'S NOTE.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

SHANGHAI, August 2nd.

According to a message from Peking, the Japanese Note to Dr. C. T. Wang, the Nationalist Foreign Minister, declares that the Japanese Government is opposed to the one-sided abrogation of the Sino-Japanese Commercial Treaty.

However, if the Nationalist Government withdraws its claim for the cancellation of the Treaty, the Japanese Government will take no exception to the immediate opening of negotiations for the revision of the Treaty.

But if the Nationalist Government persists in its claim and attempts to enforce the so-called Interim Regulations, the Japanese Government, in conformity with Article 28 of the Treaty, cannot but insist upon the validity of the Treaty for another ten years, and will take decisive steps, if necessary, for the enforcement thereof.

COURTNEY FORCED DOWN.

NO IMMEDIATE DANGER.

STEAMERS TO THE RESCUE.

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

NEW YORK, August 2nd.

A wireless message has been picked up at Portishead from the liner *Franconia*, stating that Captain Courtney has been forced down in the Atlantic, 500 miles from the Azores. He wants help but is in no immediate danger.

The steamers *Cedric* and *Celtic* are dealing with the request.

[Capt. Courtney was attempting the second stage of his two way Atlantic flight, from the Azores to Newfoundland.]

CITIES SWAMPED BY FLOODS.

10,000 PEOPLE DESTITUTE.

RELIEF WORK.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

SHANGHAI, August 1st.

A message from Harbin states that the Amur floods are most serious.

Blagovestchensk is badly affected, part of the city on the Chinese side of the river being completely flooded and gradually disappearing under the rising waters.

Old residents say that the floods resemble the famous floods of 1898, when a steamer plied in the flooded streets.

Blagovestchensk and forty villages around the city are washed out, while the basin of the River Zeya, a tributary of the Amur, is completely under water.

The population everywhere is evacuating, and it is estimated that 10,000 have lost all their possessions and are homeless and without food.

Washouts have damaged the railway, and traffic is affected.

The towns of Harbarovsk and Nikolaevsk, as well as the whole of the lower Amur region, are menaced.

Local committees in Harbin are organising for relief work and appeals are being made to Moscow.

The damage is at present estimated at five million roubles.

Floods Spreading.

MOSCOW, August 1st.

The floods have spread to the Rivers Bureya and Bira, and villages on the shores of these rivers have been submerged.

The Chinese city of Sakhalien has suffered greatly.

THE RATES BILL.

PASSED BY LORDS.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, August 1st.

The House of Lords has passed the third reading of the Rating Relief Bill.

The Bill embodies the recommendations made by Mr. Winston Churchill in his Budget speech.

GOVERNMENT BUILDINGS RELEASED.

DUTCH ARBITRATOR'S DECISION.

THE HAGUE, August 1st.

The President of the Hague Tribunal, as arbitrator, has ordered the raising of the seizure of the Foreign Office and Government Archives buildings, which have been attached as the consequence of a suit by Heer Wenniger, a former Counsellor of the Dutch Legation in Tokyo, who brought claims against the Government.

The buildings were taken possession of by a process server on July 24th, this development following a quarrel between Heer Wenniger and the Government. The former left his post and went to the Dutch Indies. He has so far failed to get satisfaction of his claim for salary and furniture which he alleges that the Dutch Minister in Tokyo sold without his permission.

MR. KELLOGG'S TRIP.

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

WASHINGTON, August 1st.

It is announced that Mr. Frank Kellogg, the U.S. Secretary of State, will leave for Paris on board the s.s. *Ile de France* on August 17th, for the purpose of signing the Treaty for the renunciation of war.

SINGAPORE BASE CONSTRUCTION.

LABOUR FROM BRITAIN.

IMPRACTICABLE SUGGESTION.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, August 1st.

The question of recruiting labour in Great Britain for work in connection of the Singapore Base was mooted in the House of Commons to-day, but the First Lord of the Admiralty expressed the opinion that it was practically impossible.

The matter was put as a supplementary question after information had been sought regarding the contracts for the Singapore Base.

Mr. Bridgeman told the House that according to the contracts, all materials used must be from Britain, or from the British Empire. No restrictions had, however, been imposed regarding the source of supply of the contractors' plant.

He pointed out in regard to labour that it would be impracticable in connection with such contracts in the Far East to limit the contractor to the employment of British workmen, but all the Asiatic labour, a large proportion of which would probably be Indian, would be subject to the Labour Ordinances obtaining in the Straits Settlements.

The possibility of recruiting labour in Britain would be extremely doubtful.

QUICK TERMINATION TO FLIGHT.

SPANISH MONSTER PLANE'S MISHAP.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LISBON, August 1st.

The Spanish seaplane *Numancia*, piloted by Major Franco, which took off at Cadiz this morning on the first stage of a round-the-world flight, is reported to have broken down off Praia Monte Gordo, in Algarve, the southern-most province of Portugal.

The machine is stated to be unable to leave the water, and a motor-boat has put off to its assistance.

Major Franco is accompanied on his flight by Major Gallarza and Captain Ruiz de Alba.

MADRID, August 1st.

The *Numancia* has returned to Huelva, all on board being safe.

TRANSATLANTIC MAILS.

DELIVERY BY AIR.

SAVING OF 24 HOURS.

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

NEW YORK, August 1st.

The U.S. Post Office announces the inauguration of a steamer-aeroplane Transatlantic mail service with the sailing of the French liner *Ile de France* on August 8th from Havre and August 17th from New York.

An amphibian plane will leave the liner at such distance from the American and French coasts as will save 24 hours in the delivery of mail.

MANCHESTER'S NEW BISHOP.

TRANSFERRED FROM CHELMSFORD.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, August 1st.

The Right Rev. F. S. Guy Warman, Bishop of Chelmsford, has been appointed Bishop of Manchester in succession to Dr. Temple, who has been elevated to the Archbishopric of York.

NATIONAL GALLERY.

THE NEW DIRECTOR.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, August 1st.

Mr. Augustus Moore Daniel is to succeed Sir Charles J. Holmes as Director of the National Gallery on December 31st. Sir Charles Holmes has held the position since 1916.

ORIGINS OF GREAT WAR.

GERMANY THE BULLY.

PORTRAIT OF THE KAISER.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, August 2nd.

Important sidelights on the origins of the Great War are supplied by the new instalment of British Diplomatic documents covering the period 1904-06. The volume is issued under the title "The Testing of the Entente."

Notable among the documents is a long secret memorandum by Sir Eyre Crowe, dated January 1st, 1907, which examines the German policy and action in Morocco and South Africa during the Boer War and also at Zanzibar. Dealing with Germany's efforts to improve Anglo-German relations Sir Eyre Crowe wrote: "The successors of Bismark apparently regard it as their ultimate purpose to extract valuable concessions from England by offensive bluster and persistent nagging." He compared their attitude to Britain to that of a professional blackmailer.

Attached to some of the documents are minutes penned by Edward VII. showing that he had no illusions as regards German feeling for Britain. "A case of bullying as usual" is a significant comment made by King Edward in regard to a German statement that Britain had offered to conclude an offensive and defensive alliance with France against Germany.

The Kaiser.

The documents include a pen portrait of the ex-Kaiser, written in 1903 by Sir Frank Lascelles, the Ambassador to Berlin.

Describing the monarch as impulsive and fond of jokes, which were sometimes taken seriously by those who who did not understand them, Sir Frank tells that on one occasion he made to the Emperor a communication of an agreeable nature. The Emperor remarked "the noodles seem to have had a lucid interval." When asked whether he wished such a message conveyed to His Majesty's Government, the Kaiser, translating the remark into diplomatic language, told Sir Frank Lascelles to say that he had received the communication with great interest and satisfaction.

Sir Frank Lascelles, summing up, concluded that the Kaiser thought sabre rattling and moustache twirling a befitting attitude for the ruler of a mighty empire, but in reality he was animated by the most pacific sentiments.

THE ONLY SOLUTION.

SELF-GOVERNING STATUS.

GANDHI'S FURTHER COURSE.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

CALCUTTA, August 1st.

The Calcutta Legislative Council, without a division, to-day passed a resolution expressing the opinion that a satisfactory and lasting solution of the present political and constitutional problems demands *inter alia* the grant of self-governing Dominion status, a Constitution based on a federation of autonomous States, and the abolition of the Dyarchy.

Gandhi's Decision.

SURAT, August 1st.

Gandhi, the Swaraj agitator it leaving to-day for Bardoli, "to decide upon a further course of action."

BIG LANDSLIDES IN JAPAN.

HAVOC OF FLOOD AND RAIN.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

TOKYO, August 2nd.

Continuous rainstorms in Central Japan in the past few days has resulted in the destruction of a number of bridges and the flooding of hundreds of houses.

Serious landslides in different parts of the country have disrupted railway services, which there has been extensive damage to crops and roads.

The total monetary loss is estimated to be many millions of yen, though the loss of life in the many mishaps is believed to be limited to about fifteen or twenty.

Owing to the overflowing of the rivers, the houses of several villages in the vicinity of Tokyo are submerged, only the roofs showing above the swirling waters. Communications are being maintained by boats.

BLUNDER SMOOTHED OVER.

REPRIMANDS FOR MINISTERS.

GOVERNMENT POLICY.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, August 1st.

Political circles awaited with some anxiety the result of a Cabinet Meeting called by the Premier, Mr. Stanley Baldwin, to-day to discuss the speech made by Sir William Joynson-Hicks, the Home Secretary, at Romsey recently.

It is understood by various political correspondents that Mr. Baldwin emphasised to the Cabinet that the Government had pursued a certain policy with regard to safeguarding, and Ministers in speeches should not go beyond the Government's policy.

After Sir William Joynson-Hicks' explanation to the Cabinet the incident may be regarded as closed.

Reuter's Lobby Correspondent understands that all Cabinet differences have been composed as the result of the meeting.

Loyal Support.

All the Ministers assured Mr. Stanley Baldwin that they accepted his election pledges, rejecting general protection, but advocating the safeguarding of depressed industries.

The only notable absentee from the meeting was Sir Austen Chamberlain, the Secretary for Foreign Affairs, who is suffering from a chill and has been ordered by his medical adviser to stay in his room for a day or two. His indisposition is not regarded as serious.

Reuter's Lobby Correspondent understands that a movement is extending among Conservative M.P.s outside the Cabinet, demanding the largest possible measure of safeguarding.

It is stated that over three hundred Conservatives have now joined the Empire Industries Association, which advocates this policy.

COTTON LOCK OUT AVERTED.

SPINNERS RESUMING WORK.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, August 1st.

The cotton lock-out, which the Federation of Master Cotton Spinners Associations had ordered to commence on the 11th instant, has been averted.

The striking spinners are resuming work to-morrow, the non-Union workman having now joined the Union.

LORD HEWART'S BOOK.

EMPHATIC ATTACK ON BUREAUCRACY.

Lord Hewart, the Lord Chief Justice, is writing a book which will probably be published in the late autumn dealing in a most emphatic manner with the growing encroachments of bureaucracy in our public life.

On many occasions recently Lord Hewart has deplored "the restless encroachment of the arrogant pretensions of bureaucracy in our midst."

Sir Ernest Benn, who is publishing the book, said that it will be fully documented and will deal with the whole question in a technical as well as in a popular manner. He added:

Lord Hewart is simply concerned in this: that we have been building up democracy for ten centuries and at the end find it is not there at all but in the hands of the bureaucrats.

"Heresy" Of Silence.

In a recent speech at the Manchester Reform Club, Lord Hewart refused to accept the "heresy" that a Lord Chief Justice was condemned to a life-long and compulsory silence upon affairs of State.

Last month at the Lord Mayor's dinner to the judges, he said ironically:

I seem to gather from the usual sources of information that the inhabitants of these islands are within measurable distance of an El Dorado, where there will be no judges at all.

In those Isles of the Blest all controversial questions will be decided in the third-floor back of some Government Department.

MINERS AS HARVEST WORKERS.

10,000 FOR CANADA.

SPECIAL FARE REDUCTIONS.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, August 1st.

A scheme has been arranged between the British Government and the Canadian Government to enable 10,000 men, preferably miners, to go to Canada from Britain for the harvest season.

In making an announcement to this effect in the House of Commons to-day, Lt.-Col. L. C. M. S. Amery, the Dominions Secretary, said that the men will receive from £3 to £5 per week, with their keep.

Specially reduced fares are being arranged, and an attempt will be made to find permanent work in Canada for the great majority, or as many as possible.

The scheme is part of the wider one planned by the Government in order to afford some relief to the poverty-stricken mining areas by the transfer of the miners to other spheres.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

By agreement with the shipping and railway companies, special reduced rates at half the ordinary fares were offered. The Canadian Government had expressed a special wish that the men should be recruited from the mining districts and the British Government were offering special help to suitable men in cases where they could not find the cost of the outward journey.

The Canadian Government would try to find work for the men at the close of harvest, and those who wished to return would have special rates given them.

NO MONEY FOR RACING.

ONE CAUSE OF THE SLUMP IN ENGLAND.

WE HAVE NOT RECOVERED FROM THE GENERAL STRIKE.

The slump in racing and the consequent financial problems of racecourse companies do not seem to be spurring those concerned to their fortunes, says the *Daily Mail*.

"If people won't go racing, we can't make them," was the view expressed by one racecourse official.

Mr. T. F. Dawkins, a director of Hurst Park, while admitting that things are not so good as they were—the rivalry of daylight dog racing on Whit Monday made big inroads into the attendance at Hurst Park that day—is not alarmed at the outlook. He hopes that better trade will bring better times for racing.

Depression General.

The depression seems to be general with one or two exceptions. Edinburgh continues to prosper, but the receipts at the Doncaster spring meeting, according to Mr. E. Wilburn, chairman of the corporation race committee, were 30 per cent. down on last year. He said:

"I have heard of only one place that has shown any improvement. That is Fontwell Park, near Arundel, Sussex. Attendance and receipts appear to be on the downgrade everywhere.

"I think the real explanation is lack of money. We have never recovered from the general strike. People cannot afford to go racing. I do not think the tax or greyhound racing, except around London, markedly affects the attendance.

"I think the introduction of the totalisator would improve attendances, as racing would then be more comfortable and less expensive."

Mr. J. R. Wetherell, secretary to the Catterick (Yorkshire) racecourse, said: "There was a decrease in attendances and receipts until last year, when they showed an increase. It is difficult in a district like Catterick to say what are the causes for any decrease."

The Liverpool racecourse executive do not publish their attendances figures and receipts, but it was stated authoritatively that the attendances at the last Grand National meeting were up to the average. There was a falling away during the last summer meeting. The decline was noticeable with the introduction of the betting tax.

LAWN BOWLS.

TO-MORROW'S FIXTURES AND PROSPECTS.

INTERESTING LEAGUE PROGRAMME.

Senior division Clubs in the Lawn Bowls League would have completed their matches for the season this week-end but for interference by the weather. Four weeks' fixtures are outstanding and, provided rain keeps off during the week-ends, they should all be completed this month, before the Interporters leave for Shanghai. The junior division schedule extends to September 1st, but here again they have many postponed matches.

Several Clubs have not met yet this season owing to both rounds having had to be postponed. They are Civil Service v. Taikoo, Police v. Kowloon Bowling Green and Craigengower v. Kowloon C.C. in the senior division; Taikoo v. Craigengower, Recreio "A" v. Civil Service, Yacht Club v. Recreio "B" and Kowloon C.C. v. East Point in the junior division. Clubs appearing first play at home and then as visitors.

To-morrow's programme is more interesting than last week's, all the fixtures being return matches of the earlier series when, curiously enough, all Clubs playing at home lost to the visitors in the senior division, while in the junior division all the visitors were beaten. Craigengower, Kowloon Bowling Green and Taikoo each secured double wins on that occasion.

Judging on current form, all senior division Clubs playing at home should win to-morrow, while visiting Clubs should gain the points in the junior section.

Both divisions of the Kowloon Bowling Green defeated their cricketing neighbours handsomely and are likely to repeat their success.

Taikoo surprised the Kowloon Docks by beating the latter at home by 8 shots. It is the turn of Kowloon Docks now to get their own back at Taikoo, but the visiting team is not very likely to return with the points.

The best matches to watch are at the Valley where Craigengower seniors will be hosts to the Police and their juniors will visit the Civil Service. There should be quite a big gathering to see the visiting Clubs make their last effort to defeat the leaders.

Provided A. Clark of the Police maintains last week's form and his colleague G. Moss gets back into his strike, their crew will extend the leaders. Craigengower on the other hand appear to be on top form and ought to get through.

Civil Service juniors have so far only been defeated by Craigengower and will make a strong effort to turn the tables. Should the leaders go down as in all probability they will, the struggle for premier honours will become more keen while the Bowling Green Club and Recreio "A" are close on their heels.

East Point who have to rely on several new players appear to be giving points away on each occasion, but those who watch them at play cannot but be impressed by the sporting way in which they go through their games.

Civil Service seniors and the Yacht Club are not engaged in the League this week.

TO-MORROW'S FIXTURES.

Division I.

Craigengower *v.* Police.
Kowloon Bowling Green *v.* K.C.C.
Taikoo *v.* Kowloon Docks.

Division II.

Civil Service *v.* Craigengower.
East Point *v.* Taikoo.
Kowloon C.C. *v.* K.B.G.C.
Recreio "A" *v.* Recreio "B."

LEAGUE TABLES.

The positions in the League to date are:—

Division I.

	P.	W.	D.	L.	Pts.
Craigengower ...	7	7	0	0	14
Police R.C.	8	5	0	3	10
Kowloon Docks...	8	4	1	3	9
Taikoo R.C.	7	4	0	3	8
Kowloon C.C. ...	7	3	1	3	7
Kowloon B.G.C.	8	3	0	5	6
Civil Service C.C.	9	0	0	9	0

SHOTS FOR AND AGAINST.

	For	Agst.	Up	Dn.
Craigengower ...	440	364	76	0
Taikoo R.C.	431	399	32	0
Kowloon B.G.C.	487	477	10	0
Kowloon D.R.C.	480	478	2	0
Police R.C.	448	461	0	13
Kowloon C.C....	389	421	0	32
Civil Service ...	474	549	0	75

Division II.

	P.	W.	D.	L.	Pts.
Civil Service	8	6	1	1	13
Kowloon B.G.C.	9	5	1	3	11
Recreio "A"	8	5	0	3	10
Taikoo R.C.	6	4	0	2	8
East Point R.C.	9	4	0	5	8
Craigengower	9	4	0	5	8
Recreio "B"	7	3	1	3	7
Kowloon C.C. ...	7	1	1	5	3
Yacht Club	7	1	0	6	2

SHOTS FOR AND AGAINST.

	For	Agst.	Up	Dn.
Recreio "A" ...	514	341	173	0
Civil Service ...	514	393	121	0
Kowloon B.G.C.	585	471	114	0
Taikoo R.C.	364	345	19	0
Recreio "B" ...	403	389	14	0
Yacht Club	273	368	0	95
Kowloon C.C. ...	364	466	0	102
Craigengower ...	463	561	0	108
East Point R.C.	465	601	0	136

H.K. FOOTBALL LEAGUE.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING.

STATE OF GROUNDS CRITICISED.

The Annual General Meeting of the Hong Kong Amateur Foothall League was held yesterday evening at the Volunteer Defence Corps Headquarters.

Owing the absence from the Colony of the President, Vice President and Chairman, the Rev. F. P. W. Alexander, C.F., was elected to preside over the meeting.

In presenting the annual report and balance sheet Captain A. W. Austin, M.C., remarked that the deficit which appeared on the Balance Sheet was largely due to omission of the annual game, Winners *v.* The Rest. This meant a gap in the receipts of the League, while the cost of medals and various fees took most of the minor receipts.

The Responsibility Of Clubs.

Captain Austin drew the attention of Club representatives to the fact that in the past year proper facilities were not afforded the referees. The boundary lines were often in a disgraceful state, while the corner flags were in many instances non-existent. The Club de Recreio's ground was in a particularly bad state and not fit for League Games. Difficulties were experienced by the referees in obtaining lists of the players, which should be handed to him before the game starts; while on many occasions the referee has had to shout for volunteers for the job of linesman.

"The Clubs know that these things should be looked after, and it is just these little points which retard the progress of the League. I do hope, said Captain Austin, "that these details will be looked after by the Clubs in the coming season."

Congratulations To China Athletic.

"Our congratulations are due to the winners of the League—The China Athletic, and there is no doubt that they deserve their win. They are a compartively young Club and have done extraordinarily well since their entry into the League." These words spoken by Captain Austin were warmly applauded by the members present.

The Annual Report and Balance Sheet were then passed unanimously.

Election Of Officers.

The following were elected as Officers of the League for the coming season. President, Mr. G. T. May; Vice-President, Captain A. W. Austin, M.C.; Treasurer, Mr. Ip Kau Ko; Secretary, Mr. W. F. Hollands.

It was decided to delete the office of Chairman as superfluous.

Those elected to serve on the League Management Committee were Messrs. F. T. James, J. A. MacLaren, A. T. Hamilton, H. K. Lee, and Mr. E. Sousa.

Two Teams From The Navy.

A representative from the Navy, Mr. Barber, said that the Navy were contemplating entering two teams in the League this year, and asked whether their entry would meet with the approval of the League. It is also understood the Air Force will also enter a team this year.

These teams were given an hearty welcome to the League by Rev. F. Alexander.

AMENDMENTS TO EXISTING RULES.

Five amendments to existing rules of the League were proposed but after discussion they were considered unnecessary and it was unanimously agreed to keep the rules as they are.

Sudden Withdrawals Of Teams.

The question of teams suddenly retiring from the League provoked a keen discussion. Retirements in all three Divisions of the League were common, and it was decided that on the retirement of any team the points and existing records of that team would be struck out of the League entirely and all its games treated as if they had not been played as far as the tables are concerned. Questions were also asked as to the penalties imposed on teams which give up half way through the League.

Mr. James, of the Police Club, pointed out that nothing could be done until the team applied for re-election the next year.

This matter was finally left to the decision of the Management Committee.

Medal Presentation.

As the usual game between the Winners and The Rest was not played the winners and runners up of each Division were handed medals. In several cases no representative of the successful team was present.

Captain Austin asked the Secretary, Mr. Hollands, if he could explain why no *finale* game was played at the end of the season.

Mr. Hollands said that owing to delays in a correspondence with the Hong Kong Football Club to whom the League was already heavily indebted the game could not be played. However, it is hoped that the match will be played off at the commencement of next season.

To Abolish Junior "B" Division.

Mr. Hollands also pointed out that the teams competing in the Junior "B" Division were not up to the standard of League play. The abolishing of the Division would save on the cost of medals. He proposed that the schools be approached with the idea of arranging mid-week League games for the players in that Division. This scheme would lessen the "search" for grounds for the other League matches.

This suggestion met with the approval of the members and will be considered by the Management Committee.

The Meeting closed with thanks to the out-going officials and special thanks to Mr. W. L. Alexander. the Hon. Auditor of the League.

(*Continued on next Column*).

OLYMPIC GAMES.

HONG KONG'S REPRESENTATIVE.

THE SON OF LIEUT.-COL. CHAPMAN.

PRODUCT OF THE PEAK SCHOOL AND DULWICH COLLEGE.

Hong Kong residents will be gratified to know that the Colony is represented at the Olympic Sports this year in the person of Mr. D. G. Chapman.

Mr. Chapman, who is 21 years of age, is included in the British team and is third on the list for the 400 metres relay race for groups of four. He is the son of Lieut.-Col. Chapman, V.D., who was Assessor of Rates in the Colony for thirty years and was for ten years Commandant of the Hong Kong Volunteer Corps. Col. Chapman retired some years ago and is now living in England, but is still well remembered by many friends here.

Mr. D. G. Chapman was born in York. He came to Hong Kong with his parents as an infant. He went to the Peak School and later to Dulwich College and now holds a responsible position with an electrical company in London. During the past few years he has done extremely well in the world of sport and has carried off many trophies. We wish him every possible success in the future.

Mrs. A. E. Wright, the wife of Mr. A. E. Wright of the Public Works Department, Hong Kong, was formerly a Miss Chapman and is an aunt of the young athlete.

The results of finals are appended:—

110 Metres Hurdles.

S. J. M. Atkinson (S. Africa) 1
Anderson (U.S.A.) 2
Collier (U.S.A.) 3
Time 14.4-5 seconds. Won by inches.

Two Hundred Metres.

Percy Williams (Canada) ... 1
W. Rangeley (Britain) 2
Scholz (U.S.A.) 3*
Koernig (Germany) 3*
Time: 21.4-5 seconds. Won by two feet.
* Dead heat.

Throwing The Discus.

Houser (U.S.A.) 1
Distance: 47.32 metres (Olympic record).
Kivi (Finland) 2
Distance: 47.23 metres (Olympic record).
Corson (U.S.A.) 3
Distance: 47.10 metres (Olympic record).

The Pole Jump.

Carr (U.S.A.) 1
Height: 4.2 metres (Olympic record).
Droegemuller (U.S.A.) 2
Height: 4.1 metres (Olympic record).

Yasutaro Nakazawa (Japan) was sixth in the final with a jump of 3.90 metres.

Wrestling.

The full results in the catch-as-catch-can wrestling were as follows:

BANTAMS: Macinnen (Finland) 1; Stepen (Belgium) 2; Grisonou (Canada) 3.

FEATHERS: Morrison (U.S.A.) 1; Pihlajemaki (Finland) 2; Minder (Switzerland) 3.

LIGHTWEIGHTS: Kapp (Esthonia) 1; Paconne (France) 2; Leine (Finland) 3.

WELTERS: Haaristo (Finland) 1; Appleton (U.S.A.) 2; Lodgefort, 3.

MIDDLES: Kyburg (Switzerland) 1; Stockton (Canada) 2; Rabin (Great Britain) 3.

LIGHT-HEAVIES: Sjoestedt (Sweden) 1; Boegli (Switzerland) 2; Le Fevre (France) 3.

HEAVYWEIGHTS: Richthoff (Norway) 1; Ishvola (Finland) 2; Dame (France) 3.

GOLF.

ROYAL HONG KONG GOLF CLUB.

EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING.

An extraordinary general meeting of the members of the R.H.K. Golf Club will be held at the Club's Offices, York Building, on August 14th at 5.15 p.m., to consider the advisability of changing the Articles of the Club in certain respects.

SOUTH CHINA ATHLETIC ASSOCIATIONS.

OFFICERS FOR ENSUING YEAR.

MANY ACTIVITIES.

The South China Athletic Association, has just appointed its officers for the ensuing year.

Mr. Li Yau Tsun, chairman of the Chinese General Chamber of Commerce, has been made president of the Association. Mr. Li presided over the first meeting after his election, and the other day he formally inspected the three troops of Chinese boy scouts run by the Association and also watched games played by pupils of the Association's day schools at Wanchai and Shaukiwan. The Association has now nearly 2,500 members and recently raised more than $23,000 for the work of the ensuing year.

The principal officers of the Association are as follow:—

Honorary Presidents: Sir Shouson Chow, Dr. R. H. Kotewall, and Mr. Tseng Yiu Ting.

Honorary Legal Advisers: Hin Shing Lo and M. K. Lo.

Honorary Surgeons: Arthur Woo, W. T. Chang, K. S. Shin, K. Y. Lai, K. C. Chao, and L. T. Hung.

President, Li Yau Tsun; Vice-Presidents, Mok Wing Yu and T. N. Chau.

Chairman, O. W. Luk; Vice-Chairman, Soo Pei Shao.

Hon. Treasurer, Shum Yip Tong.

Hon. Auditor, Mark Chuk Yu.

The activities of the South China Athletic Association are carried by 13 sub-committees and the chairman and *ex-officio* managers of the several sub-committees for the ensuing year are as follows:—Lai Tai Po, Schools; Wong Kum Ying, Socials; Ho Yun Kwong, Boy Scouts; Ho Ka Lau, Track & Field; Harry Sling, Baseball; Wang Laan Yiu, Billiards; Ho Pak Ping, Volley Ball; Yuen Chan Fai, Swimming; Hin Wong, Lectures and Library; Wong Ka Tsun, English Correspondence; Sun Tso Wing, Boxing; Shek Chung Shan (acting), Football; Li Woon Tsoi, Basket Ball; Chan Chung Sang, Tennis; Tseng Chung Nin, Indoor Games; and Tse Sui Chong, Music.

THE ASHBURTON SHIELD.

WON BY CLIFTON COLLEGE.

CLOSE SHOOTING AT BISLEY.

BISLEY CAMP, July 5th.

The Ashburton Challenge Shield, the Blue Riband of public schools shooting, was won by Clifton College, Bristol, with a total score of 472 points for the two ranges 200 yards and 500 yards.

Brighton College, the holders, came fourth with 466 points, and Hurstpierpoint College (468) and Edinburgh Academy (467) were second and third respectively.

The captain of the winning team, Under-officer Laurie Lang (Clifton College O.T.C.) is 17 years old, and not the least enthusiastic spectator was his father, Mr. John Lang, who led the college team to victory in the Ashburton contest in 1888. Behind the ropes at the firing point, with other old Cliftonians, Mr. Lang stood with his wife as the young captain of the Clifton team lay down to shoot. Laurie Lang unfortunately placed an "inner" on the wrong target, and would otherwise have scored 60 points instead of 56 out of 70 points for his team.

Mothers and sisters of the boys from 70 public schools were present in large numbers.

Brighton College and Rugby and Sherborne Schools had tied with Clifton for top score (234 points) in the morning shoot at 200 yards, but Hurstpierpoint, a less well-known shooting school, improved so much at 500 yards as to win second place.

Other leading scores were:—

Cheltenham College, 462; Repton School, 459; Rugby School, 459; Harrow School, 458; Worksop College, 458 Sedbergh School, 457.

Clifton won the shield in 1920 and were third last year. Their coach, Sergt.-Major Bricknell, received many handshakes from old Cliftonians.

The Veterans.

The day closed with the Public Schools Veterans' Challenge Trophy competition, when 260 Old Boys lived their Ashburton days over again. Admirals, soldiers, and a bishop (the Rt. Rev. C. J. Ferguson-Davie, a former Bishop of Singapore), were among those firing. Admiral Lord Jellicoe scored 40. The Trophy was won by the Old Paulines' team.

Prince George, who was present, attended by Major Ulick Alexander, afterwards handed, on behalf of Old Etonians, a piece of plate to Major S. A. Pixley in recognition of his services to shooting. Major Pixley captained the Old Etonians' team for 38 years.

TENNIS LEAGUE.

"B" DIVISION.

INDIAN R.C. BEAT CRAIGENGOWER.

Playing on their opponents' courts yesterday in the "B" Division of the Tennis League, the Indian Recreation Club beat Craigengower comfortably by 27 games. All the Indian pairs reached the 20-game mark.

Scores:—

W. J. Howard and H. J. Howard (C.C.C.)
lost to G. Mohamed and S. S. Hussain 4-7
beat A. H. Madar and S. A. R. Bux 6-5
beat S. A. Hussain and D. Mohamed 6-5
16-17

Hamson and Kitchell (C.C.C.)
lost to G. Mohamed and S.S. Hussain 5-6
lost to A. H. Madar and S. A. R. Bux 4-7
lost to S. A. Hussain and D. Mohamed 3-8
12-21

Lia and Souza (C.C.C.)
lost to G. Mohamed and S. S. Hussain 2-9
lost to A. H. Madar and S. A. R. Bux 3-8
lost to S. A. Hussain and D. Mohamed 3-8
8-25

Total: Craigengower 36; Indian R.C. 63.

HONG DOUBLES.

WIN FOR DODWELLS.

In the only match played yesterday in the Hong Doubles A. D. Humphreys and R. K. Valentine (Dodwell & Co.) owe 15 defeated C. P. James and A. H. Penn rec. 15 by 6-4 and 6-2 in the third round.

They now meet W. B. Cornaby and A. Piercy (Jardine, Matheson & Co.) owe 15 in the fourth round.

LOCAL BASEBALL LEAGUE.

FIXTURES FOR THE WEEK-END.

The fixtures for the week-end are as follows:

Saturday.

Junior Division, 2 p.m.—South China Scouts *v.* South China.
Senior Division, 4 p.m.—South China *v.* Hong Kong B.B. Club.

Sunday.

Junior Division.—China Athletic *v.* Y.M.B.A., 2 p.m.; Kioras *v.* St. Joseph's College, 4 p.m.

Monday.

Junior Division, 2 p.m.—South China *v.* South China Scouts.
Special Exhibition Game, 4 p.m.—"All Hong Kong *v.* South China.

HEALTH IN THE PRISONS.

PREVALENCE OF OPIUM POISONING.

REPORT FOR 1927.

The Medical Report for the year 1927 suggests that there is a good deal of ill-health among the prisoners in Victoria Gaol and Lai-chikok Prison mainly due to chronic opium poisoning.

The total number of prisoners admitted was 7,740, of which 504 were females, and 75 juveniles.

Of the new admissions, the numbers placed on ½ labour was 329, on ¾ labour 224, and 30 were admitted to Hospital direct as unfit for any kind of labour. The number of admissions totalled 355.

The "Phthisis Party" amounted to 60 for the year, making a total of 415 in-patients.

The following were the more common diseases among the out-patients:—Chronic opium poisoning, 1,348; Beri-beri, 325; Gonorrhœa, 225; Scabies, 164; Syphilis, 69; Debility, 53; Ringworm, 39.

There were twelve remissions of sentences on medical grounds, namely:—Leprosy, 6; Glioma, 1; Cancer, 1; Beri-beri (advanced), 1; Tuberculosis (advanced), 1; Cirrhosis of liver, 1; Eclampsia, 1.

Eight prisoners were removed to the Government Civil Hospital for treatment not available in the Prison, as well as two for X-ray examination. There were two births and two abortions in the Female Prison.

During the year, there were 14 deaths from natural causes (12 Victoria Gaol, 2 Lai Chi Kok).

In addition there were 21 executions, the M.O. being present in each case to certify cause of death.

Lai Chi Kok Prison.

At Lai Chi Kok Prison, where 420 men are detained, the principle diseases treated on patient lines were: Septicæmia, 24; Syphilis, 63; Gonorrhœa, 19; Anæmia, 7; diseases of the Respiratory system, 121; of the Digestive system, 25; of the Cellular tissue, 107; of the Teeth, 19; Chronic opium poisoning, 522; there were 14 cases of Malingering.

In-patients numbered 310 including diseases caused by infection: Syphilis, 6; Septicæmia, 10; Dysentery, 31; Malaria, 162; Chronic opium poisoning, 20.

WING ON FRAUD CASE.

FOK CHUN YUEN SENT FOR TRIAL.

ALLEGED DISCREPANCIES IN THE BOOKS.

Fok Chun Yuen, who was committed for trial at the next Criminal Session for alleged forgery of a deed of assignment whereby $110,000 was obtained from the Bank of Canton, Ltd.; was again before Mr. R. E. Lindsell at the Central Magistracy to answer a charge of alleged conspiracy to obtain $50,000 from the Wing On Company, in 1926.

Mr. H. G. Sheldon appeared on behalf of the defendant while only Mr. T. Murphy of the C.D.I. was for the prosecution.

Mr. Murphy told his Worship that Mr. Somerset Fitzroy, who was to prosecute on behalf of the Crown, was at the Supreme Court and was under the impression that the case was to be heard at 2.15 in the afternoon.

Mr. Murphy could not proceed with the case as the exhibits were in Mr. Fitzroy's possession, and his Worship adjourned the case until this afternoon.

The Defendant.

The defendant, Fok Chun Yuen, was one of the three men who were to have appeared in answer to this charge some two year's ago. The other two defendants were found guilty and sentenced to serve three years' imprisonment, but the defendant, it is understood, "jumped" his bail of $20,000 and was not found until June 25th, when he was arrested by Detective Sergeant Clemo aboard the s.s. *Kinshan*.

Mr. Fitzroy Apologises.

Mr. Fitzroy was present at the resumption in the afternoon and expressed his apologies for his non-appearance in the morning. Mr. Fitzroy said that the charge stated that the defendant in conspiracy with two other men already sentenced, did on divers dates between March 1923 and February 1926 forge two Deposit Books of the Wing On and attempt in the name of a firm known as Kwong Cheong firm, to obtain $50,000 from the Wing On Company.

Inspector Fallon made a search of the defendant's premises and found three receipts bearing the genuine chop of the Wing On Company, and three books in which sums of $100 had been noted as having been received by various persons unknown.

An Acquaintance Of The Defendant.

Mr. Ng King Chuen a Chinese doctor residing at No. 40, Queen's Road W., said that he knew the defendant and had seen him in company with two other men, whose names he did not know. The defendant had consulted him on several occasions and at a dinner party given at defendant's home witness said that he saw the same two persons. When told the names of the two convicted men, witness said that he could not say whether they were the men in question.

The Printer.

Fung Shu Cheung, the senior partner of a Chinese printing shop in Pottinger Street told the Court that at a date which he could not remember, the Wing On Company had placed an order with the firm, for 5,000 Deposit Books. Witness said that the firm could not supply this amount in full.

Certain questions regarding the books and the number supplied were put to the witness who replied that the incident had occurred a long time ago and he was unable to give the exact details off-hand.

Mr. Fitzroy then explained to his Worship that the witness had been called at a moment's notice and although he had supplied the details of the hearing two years ago the witness could not be expected to remember the facts. His Worship had a copy of the evidence given by the same witness at the original hearing.

The witness was shown a number of books and in several he pointed out what he alleged were discrepancies in the entries and other signs suggesting that they were not genuine books of the company.

The hearing was adjourned till this morning.

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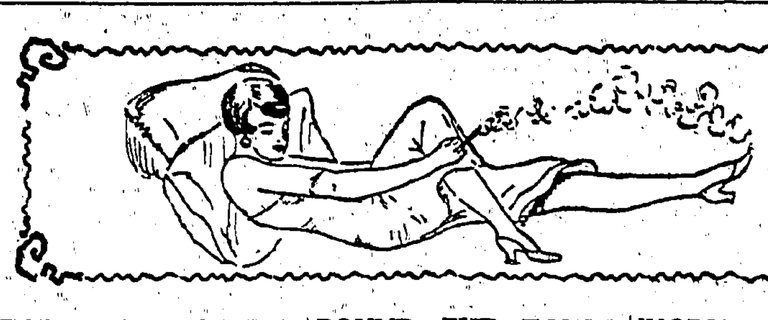

The WOMAN'S PAGE

FOR AN EASTERN BRIDE.

LOVELY INDIAN SILK AT THE PIONEER.

I always look forward to going to visit the Pioneer Silk Store on my weekly rounds to get material for this page, because it is very seldom that I do not have the pleasure of seeing for the first time some new and lovely material.

This week it is Kodri cloth, a wonderful material woven for rich Indian brides. The stuff, which is, however, silk, looks rather like Indian muslin, and is woven with a close pattern of untarnishable gold or silver threads. I saw it in 4 different colours, white and gold, white and silver, either of which would make the most lovely wedding gown, red and silver and fuschia and silver. The material is exquisitely soft and pliable and can be trusted to drape like a medium weight *crêpe de chine* or satin. The red and fuschia would be best used, I think, in conjunction with plain stuff in some such fashion as the sketch on this page suggests, but the white would be most lovely alone.

A shipment of new silks has just arrived at POHOOMULL'S and been included in the sale. Every thing is reduced extraordinarily low and there are some excellent bargains to be had in jewellery, shoe brocades and kimono in particular.

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The PIONEER SILK STORE sale is still on for a few days. Special bargains to-day are stockings in the latest shades, Egyptian metal scarves and silk embroidered morning gowns. I also saw a consignment of new thin striped silks in nice clear colours with plenty of variety in the arrangement of the stripes.

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POWELL'S now have most of their stock reduced to half price, and there are a number of useful and attractive things still left. Shoes in particular. A new consignment of ladies shoes arrived after the sale began and have, of course, been included in it. Powell's have a well deserved reputation for good and *chic* footwear, and advantage should be taken of this excellent chance to be well shod by every woman who likes good things and—bargains.

ROUND THE TOWN.

SEEN IN LOCAL SHOPS.

You are sure to have attended PAMELA'S sale already, but I found some new bargains there this week. Gloves at $2 a pair, and a rank of dresses at $10 and $15.50, some of which seemed too good to be true. They are cotton, silk and wool, a few of them afternoon and evening models but the greater number charming little tub frocks which have the *chic* we have learnt to associate with this shop. All goods needless to say are much reduced during the sale.

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LANE, CRAWFORD'S are having a sale in the ladies department which starts with shoes to-day and everything else on Monday. This business never gets much "left over" stock so you can be sure of finding lovely up-to-date things at sale prices.

CHIC FROM AN AWKWARD LENGTH.

"The Little more—how much it is
The little less—what world's away."
That sums up remnants. But many apparently hopeless "bargains" can be turned to a triumphant use if intelligence is given to the problem. Pictured above are smart dresses contrived from awkward lengths of material and the article over the page explains exactly how it was done.

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The collection is in reality a number of collections and will be sold as such. Each of these is contained in its own cabinet beautifully made with velvet lined drawers, some containing one hundred and others a larger or smaller number of pieces.

But value and number are of little interest beside the Netsukie themselves The wonderful delicacy of the carving, the observation, humour, and love of art and fine craftsmenship, which they show goes to prove that monetary gain did not weigh very highly with their creators, these tiny scraps of ivory, wood or metal are each of them a work of art.

Looking over the collection, of which I had only time to examine a small part, I realised fully the madness which overtakes the collectors. Having 50 he must buy the 51st even at the cost of a meal or even something more important, and possessing 51 he will sell his soul for the 52nd. I know that if I possessed half a dozen at the most the same fever would attack me.

One of the first I saw was a tiny blue and white China box, pierced as all Netsukie are to wear as a fob; the next was a wooden figure of a kneeling fisherman whose foot was caught by an enormous crab. The expression and drama in that little study which is not any larger than a strawberry is amazing. An old woman whose unbound hair is a marvel of delicate craftsmanship lies asleep on a water jar, in tones of soft mellow ivory. There is a gold lacquer button inlaid with a gold and silver peacock. Another snuff box of ivory, has an engraved iron lid with the upper part of a man's face and bald head, above him is a fly and the expression of his upturned eyes and the glimpse of a hand raised to brush the insect away is extraordinarily clever and amusing.

But I cannot enumerate all the pieces I saw and indeed words are cold things to express their charm, suffice it to say that each is different, each delightful and each a perfect piece of craftsmanship. Every phase of life has been touched on, there are peasants, and lords, and gods; animals, fishes, birds and insects; flowers and household utensils; all used to make small but perfect works of art.

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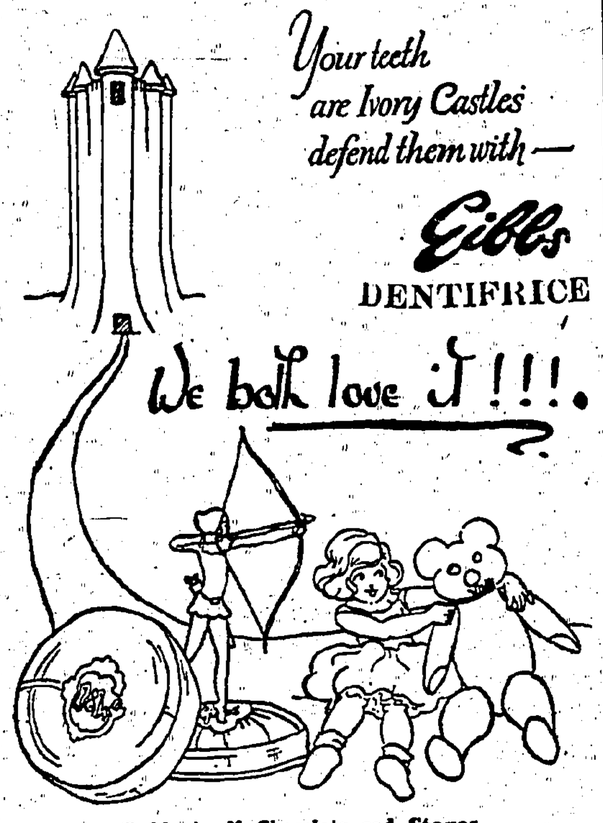

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[A.P.S.]

WOMAN'S PAGE *(CONTD.)*

THAT AWKWARD LENGTH.

SMARTNESS FROM SALES BARGAINS.

I was much interested in a gown of silver and blue brocaded lamé worn by a woman sitting in front of me at a concert some weeks ago, the material was so unusually beautiful.

When she walked out during an interval one saw that it had a deep border of indifferent satin in a colour that did not *quite* match the blue in the lamé.

The Extreme Awkwardness Of The "Awkward Length."

"That dress," remarked someone behind, "was made from an 'awkward length' picked up cheap from a remnant counter. It was a bit too much for a jumper, so rather than waste a few inches she spoilt the whole thing to get a dress out of it!"

Precisely! ("Even as you and I.")

It Is Our Nature.

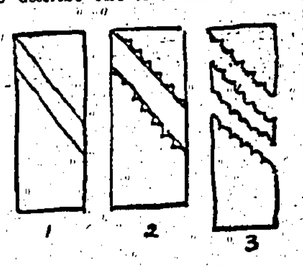
I don't suppose anything on earth will prevent us from trying to get dresses out of remnants from which we should be content to get jumpers, so let us concentrate on making a success of the job.

A Practical Suggestion.

Let us deal, as an example, with that particular length of brocaded lamé. Instead of the obvious and banal border of satin, let us, at a time when oblique lines and one-sided effects in dress-making can do no wrong, insert two diagonal strips of plain silver lamé either with straight or shaped edges.

Study the dress shown at the left of the big sketch overleaf and you will see the effect of this treatment, then examine the small diagrams below on this page and you will find how very easily the result is achieved.

Both back and front are made exactly alike (except that the diagonal lines run in an opposite direction for the front to make the brocaded lamé meet in V's at the side seams), so it is only necessary to describe one of them.



A Pattern In Brown Paper.

Take a well-tried pattern of a straight one-piece dress and cut it out in firm brown paper. Having divided the brocade into two pieces (one for the front and one for the back), take each piece and draw two straight diagonal lines about 4 inches apart with pencil or chalk on the wrong side of the material, as in Fig. 1.

A Small Saucer Will Help.

If a curved edge is required, as in the big sketch, chalk out a series of semicircles (a small saucer will act as a guide) touching the straight lines already drawn, as in Fig. 2.

Mark these curved lines with a line of tacking that shows up clearly on the right side, then send to a machine shop to be hemstitched along the tacked lines.

Mount The Three Pieces On The Brown Paper.

When this is done, cut carefully through the middle of the hemstitching and each piece of brocade will resolve itself into the three pieces shown in Fig. 3 with neatly picoted edges. Arrange and pin these on the brown paper pattern to see how wide the strips of plain lamé will have to be to give the desired length.

Cut the strips of lamé on the cross and slip them under the curved edges of the brocade. Tack in place, then sew neatly just inside the picoting.

When the back and front have been brought to this stage the dress can be cut to the pattern and made up in the usual way.

Like Clouds, All The Best Sashes Have Silver Linings.

The ideal finish to a dress of this kind would be a blue velvet sash lined with silver lamé.

Such a lining makes the loops of the bow stand out in the most approved manner, besides striking a note which proclaims it as being of the very last moment. The ends should hang well below the hem of the dress to give the uneven line that is still fashionable.

The Design Applied To Other Fabrics.

This design could be applied practically to any fabric with success, providing the material for the diagonal bands be chosen with discrimination.

Black piece lace could be eked out with black georgette; spotted foulard with plain silk; floral chiffon with plain georgette, and plain metal tissue with metal lace. The first two small sketches give an idea of what such dresses would look like.

Another Awkward Length.

The other figure in the sketch overleaf shows a dress made on the same principle from a length of black velvet that is not quite enough to make a long-sleeved frock.

It is an attractive alternative to the usual obvious method of adding plain georgette sleeves, and there should be no difficulty in finding another "awkward length"—of black lace this time—for the purpose.

The "tailored" velvet belt is finished with a paste buckle and eyelet holes—items that are well worth buying at sales.

The third of the small sketches shows the same idea carried out in checked tweed and plain woollen jersey cloth.

WARM WEATHER MENUS.

Breakfast.

Stewed fresh apricots with cereal and cream.
Eggs scrambled with tomatoes or mushrooms.
Brown toast.
Bran muffins.
Marmalade.

Tiffin.

White fish in aspic with mayonnaise.
Tomatoes, stuffed with cream cheese and olives, and lettuce.
Jellied banana flan.
Iced coffee with whipped vanila cream.

Dinner.

Cream of asparagus soup, cold.
Jellied prawn salad, with hard-boiled eggs.
Chicken croquettes with cold carrots and peas.
Strawberry trifle.
Cream cheese and red currant Jelly.

There is a great temptation in hot weather to subsist on ethereal meals. Appetites disappear, and the tendency is to choose the very lightest dishes, quite irrespective of their food value. While meals in hot weather should be light, there should be as much nourishment as possible in these light dishes. Jellies are ideal fare for warm days, but let there be substance in them in the form of chopped bananas, or make milk jellies. Sponge cake can be added to others, and blancmanges can be enriched with cream.

Cream cheese has high food value, so cream cheese balls can be added to salads, served as savouries, or used to stuff tomatoe. Eggs, in their many guises, are excellent in food value, and such things as jellied fish or meat, galantines, and salads can be made more nourishing by the addition of hard-boiled eggs.

Nuts can be added to trifles and salads.

Hot weather meals should be particularly dainty and prettily served, and though they are nourishing should never be or look stodgy.

BARGAINS!

A JOURNEY ROUND WHITEAWAY'S.

Some one I know spent over a hundred dollars in Whiteaway, Laidlaw's on the first day of the sale and four days later she was still full of pride in her purchases. She is a clever shopper, but it means also that good bargains are easy to find. Here are a few I noted.

Strong cotton sheets for single beds $6.50 a pair, for double beds $8.50, what could be better than the former for the night nursery where sheets are apt to be used as reins and tents? Besides in that this hot season it is in the interests of health to give the children, at least, clean bed linen every day, and even if the wash amah is not very gentle a sheet that only costs $3.25 will not cause much sorrow if it has to be mended.

For the beach I found gaily coloured wraps of turkish towelling which can be used as a bath sheet, or by means of the running cord at one end, as a very *chic* beach wrap.

For the house there are remnants, many of them 8 or 9 yards of cretonne and other furnishing materials; large printed cotton bed spreads for $3.95, and white ones with a coloured hemstitched border for four dollars more. The same white with blue, yellow, orange, green or pink borders is seen in a great pile of tea cloths, duchesse sets and sideboard cloths which are amazingly cheap, the smaller pieces under a dollar.

Down on the ground floor, I noticed piles of cotton voiles and ginghams ranging from 50 cents to $1.50 a yard, ladies summer vests under a dollar, silk stockings in all shades for $1 a pair, and any number of other useful and attractive things to spend money on.

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A good complexion comes primarily from within and not from without. After the age of 40, however, many women find that time spent in grooming is very well spent. Too often they let their skin become discoloured, and acidity spots appear on the surface, because they do not take sufficient time and trouble to remedy these defects.

To Stimulate The Skin.

As the skin becomes older, so does it have a tendency to become loose and to discolour. The muscles refuse to do their proper work, the tissues become impoverished, and the circulation acts poorly.

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Hands.

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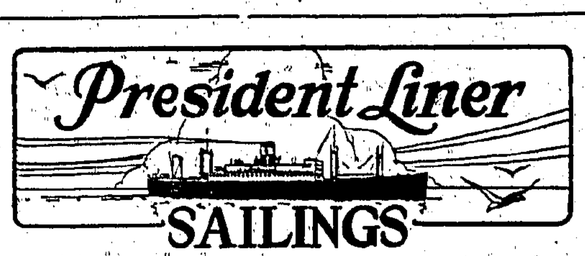

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"ENTICING" A WIFE AWAY.

MAJOR SUES MAJOR.

DIVORCE SUIT ABANDONED.

A remarkable story of an officer's allegation that his wife had been enticed away by a brother officer was related before Mr. Justice Swift and a special jury in the King's Bench Division.

The plaintiff in the action is Major Ritchie Capel Langstaffe Capel-Smith (retired), R.A.S.C., of Rosary-gardens, Kensington, W., and the defendant Major Bernard A. S. Dyer, of the Moorings, Farnham, Surrey.

Major Capel-Smith is suing Major Dyer for damages, alleging that he induced Mrs. Capel-Smith to live apart from him. This allegation Major Dyer denies.

The case for Major Capel-Smith was opened by Mr. Singleton, K.C., who said he proposed to call evidence to show that Major Dyer had been responsible for a set of circumstances which had brought about the dissolution of Major Capel-Smith's home and ruined everything that was dearest to him.

Son's Godfather.

Major Capel-Smith was 33 years of age; Major Dyer was some years his senior. Major Capel-Smith joined the Army Service Corps in 1914 as a private. In 1915 he was invalided home with diphtheria, and it was then that he met the woman who afterwards became his wife. They were married at All Souls Church, Marylebone, N.W.

After service abroad, Major Capel-Smith, who had meanwhile been given a commission, joined his regiment at Aldershot, where he met Major Dyer, his commanding officer. Major (then Lieut.) Capel-Smith's income was £380, while the wife had private means of £800 a year. As their prospects were good, she and her husband had no financial worries.

After a time Major Dyer became very friendly with Major Capel-Smith and his wife, and when a son was born in 1921 he became the boy's godfather.

Mrs. Capel-Smith, continued Mr. Singleton, was fond of dancing. Her husband was not a dancer, so Major Dyer was her escort once a week. The dances became more frequent as time went on.

In 1923 Major Capel-Smith had a serious illness and went into a nursing home. Major Dyer and Mrs. Capel-Smith visited him, but refused his invitation to stay to tea. That began a period of suspicion.

On his return to duty Major Capel-Smith noticed that his wife began to stay out until 2 a.m. with Major Dyer.

On one occasion Major Capel-Smith was wakened by a motor-car being driven up to the house about 2 a.m. He waited for nearly half an hour, and then ascertained that his wife had not entered the house. He walked to the garage, and there saw his wife and Major Dyer sitting in the car with the lights out and the side screens up. When they heard his footsteps the lights were turned on.

Scene At A Dance.

In August 1926 he obtained service in India and arranged for his wife to follow him out.

About that time—September 1926—Mrs. Capel-Smith went to a dance with Major Dyer, and Major Capel-Smith called to bring her home. He was seen by Major Dyer, who said to him: "What have you come here for?" "I have come to take my wife home," replied Major Capel-Smith, to which Major Dyer retorted: "Don't you come any of your funny tricks with me. You forget whom you are talking to." To that Major Capel-Smith replied, "Well, if you must be offensive you must be. I have merely come to fetch my wife."

Calls At 9.30 A.M.

About that time, said Mr. Singleton, Major Capel-Smith told Major Dyer that he had heard that he was calling on his wife at 9.30 a.m. after he (Major Capel-Smith) had gone on duty, and reminded him that there was no excuse for such conduct. "It appears that your conduct comes between husband and wife," he told him. To that Major Dyer said he was sorry and would not see her again.

Returned Post Haste.

In September 1926 he left for India, hoping that his wife would soon join him. However, something he heard brought him home again post haste.

Major Capel-Smith had done all he possibly could to separate his wife from Major Dyer. He even served divorce papers, but the appearance of these made no apparent difference, and the petition was allowed to be dismissed for want of prosecution.

Mrs. Capel-Smith had not rejoined her husband. He had written to Major Dyer:

I can only appeal to you as a gentleman, to leave Aldershot. If you will do that I am prepared to forgive my wife.

Mr. Singleton added that ultimately Major Capel-Smith's health broke down and he retired from the Army with the rank of major. His life had been ruined and his home broken up and he claimed substantial damages accordingly.

Major Capel-Smith gave evidence in support of Mr. Singleton's statement and stated that he had always been devoted to his wife, whose parents, he thought, were wealthy people who lived at Edgbaston, Birmingham.

His primary object in trying to get abroad on service "was to get my wife away from Dyer as soon as possible.

Major Dyer's Tears.

Mr. Singleton: Were you pleased at the prospect of going to India?—Not exactly pleased. But it seemed the only way to get my wife away from Dyer who when he saw me off at the railway station appeared to be very sorry. He was crying, and the tears rolled down his face when the train went out.

Asked why he instituted divorce proceedings, Major Capel-Smith said his object was to break "this liaison with this man Dyer."

His reason for not proceeding with the petition was that he loved his wife, and would not divorce her. There were other reasons, but that was the chief one. Major Dyer was a single man.

Major Capel-Smith added that he was spending £800 of his £1,800 gratuity in financing this action against the man who had smashed his home.

Cross-examined by Mr. Norman Birkett, K.C. (for Major Dyer), Major Capel-Smith said his conduct to his wife was quite normal. It may have been abnormal in that he worshipped her.

Mr. Birkett: You were kindness itself. Your language was always decent and proper?—Always. I might have said, "Damn the thing!" if I burned my fingers with the soldering iron.

You were jealous of her?—Jealous, I should think I was. I adored her.

Mr. Justice Swift: Do not get excited, but answer questions in a temperate and proper manner and keep calm.

Major Capel-Smith said he claimed damages against Major Dyer in the divorce petition in the hope that when he was faced with such a claim he might give Mrs. Capel-Smith up.

Mr. Birkett: Tell me, did you dress up in your wife's clothes?—Yes, I did, but not in the way you are trying to suggest. I put on one of her hats but not in a spirit of jesting at all, but because I am, perhaps, sentimental.

Did you put on her dresses?—No.

Did you wrap them round you?—No.

Major Capel-Smith disputed whether his wife had ever said she would rather die than return to him.

Mr. Birkett read from one of Mrs. Capel-Smith's letters:

I despise you so utterly because you have behaved to me for years in a way I never imagined any man could have done. I would rather be dead than return to you.

Major Capel-Smith denied that he had dragged his wife about by her necktie until she was nearly strangled. He recollected an occasion when she said to him, while their son was playing in the garden, that she did not love the boy Dickie very much. He was a little annoyed and simply said: "Darling, don't say such a thing."

He denied that he threw a jug of water over her, and denied that he objected to her going for a day's shopping expedition with women friends. "But," added Major Capel-Smith, "if you mean with one particular woman I did object, for that woman has since broken up her own home."

Mr. Birkett: Give us her name?

Major Capel-Smith: No, I will not in public. I will give it to the jury in confidence. It would not be fair to give her name. She is the wife of a fellow officer."

Man Who Flirt.

Did you ever send messages of an abusive character to your wife by servants when you were dressing?—You are in error.

Did you not write one that ran "Come upstairs and tie my tie you ——"?—Oh, no, I never did.

Did you abuse her to your little son?—Never.

Did you tell your little boy, "You don't want that woman to bath you"?—Certainly not. My son, even now, says the prayer I taught him: "God bless Daddie and Mummie, and send Mummie back to us again."

Did you throw a tray of crockery at her?—No.

Mr. Birkett read a letter which Major Capel-Smith wrote to his wife from India, extracts from which were:

I want you out here, but how I dread it because the men here flirt with all the women who are not their wives. I am so jealous. Your little husband lives only, only for you, and adores you and thinks you are absolutely incomparable with any other woman who has been born.

Mr. Birkett suggested that that letter showed that he was insanely jealous.

Major Capel-Smith pointed out that he wrote that letter while abroad and when he was not too well in abominably hot weather.

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WHAT STRIKES COST.

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LABOUR M.P.'s ESTIMATE.

PROGRESS TOWARDS PEACE IN INDUSTRY.

A further big advance in the cause of industrial peace was made at the Mansion House on July 9th, when an influential gathering of men and women, representative of all political parties, and of capital and labour, unanimously passed a resolution that the work of the Industrial Peace Union of the British Empire and of the Empire Trade League should be combined and extended.

The Lord Mayor (Sir Charles Batho) was in the chair.

Speaker after speaker emphasised the high cost and futility of industrial strife, and the same note was struck in the telegrams and letters, in support of the movement, sent by the Premiers of Australia, Canada, and New Zealand. Mr. J. Havelock Wilson, the seamen's leader, in a letter, mentioned that the recent maritime strike in Australia had cost £800,000.

One of the greatest factors in the prosperity of the United States, said Sir Robert Horne, M.P., was the movement that had taken place for the elimination of waste. The greatest waste in this country was caused by the perpetual strikes. A Labour member had told him that he estimated the cost of these to the country during the present century as being over £1,000,000,000.

Nothing Achieved.

The mere interest on that sum, added Sir Robert, represented 9d. in the £ income tax, or twice as large a sum as that which Mr. Churchill was now trying to realise from the petrol tax. As a capital sum it would have produced work for a vast body of workmen, and brought a wave of prosperity to this country such as we should find it difficult to imagine.

The Labour member went on to say, proceeded Sir Robert, that as far as he could judge, not one of all these strikes had brought about any achievement for the working man which could not have been got without them. These strikes had affected the cottages as much as the castles. They had brought discomfort and misery and distress into every region of the land. They had checked and impeded the progress on which the happiness and contentment of the workers and the employers stand.

The Earl of Denbigh (President of the Industrial Peace Union) said that the only way to bring the facts home to the general mass of the people was by propaganda.

Sir Ernest Benn said that the Biblical text, "It is an honour for a man to cease from strife, but every fool will be meddling," might with advantage, be sent to Mr. Maxton and Mr. Cook. Labour, he added, had had a little too much of the stage in the last few years on this question of industry. We should not allow the working man to forget that it is often more difficult to sell an article than to make one.

Other speakers included Mr. L. S. Amery (Secretary of State for the Dominions and Colonies), Mr. J. W. Beaumont Pease (Chairman of Lloyds Bank), Mr. J. P. Houfton (Director of Bolsover Colliery Co.), Mr. W. L. Hichens (Chairman of Messrs. Cammell, Laird, and Co.), Mr. W. W. Paine (Director of Lloyds Bank) and Lieutenant-Colonel Sir J. Norton-Griffiths.

You tackled Major Dyer, you say, about the number of dances he had taken your wife to, and he wrote her a letter?—Yes, I took the letter to her.

And she told you that she had never been so humiliated in her life?—She did say that. She was distressed.

You served a divorce petition on your wife and Major Dyer when you came back from India. In it you charged your wife with adulterous conduct. Did you expect her to come back to you after that?—Yes, I hoped she would. The serving of those divorce papers was a mistake. I regret it more than anybody, but it was done on the advice of my lawyers.

"I thought the divorce papers would scare him off," added Major Capel-Smith.

Did you think he would never face the action?—Yes. I had done all I could to get my wife back and was forced in the end to take strong action. My home has been wrecked by this man's rascality.

During a legal submission by Mr Birkett that the question of adultery was strictly irrelevant to the action, Mr. Justice Swift said he did not think an action such as this had been tried in the courts since 1657.

"I shall hold that the jury cannot give damages for the adultery," added Mr. Justice Swift. "What they can consider is whether by his action Major Dyer has enticed away Mrs. Capel-Smith and in that regard the evidence of adultery might be considered as one item of enticement."

The hearing was adjourned.

NOTHING FOR MRS. PACE.

QUESTIONS IN PARLIAMENT.

INQUEST VERDICTS.

Mr. Purcell asked the Prime Minister in the House of Commons on July 9th whether he would consider making compensation to Mrs. Pace, the Coleford widow, who had been under police surveillance since January 10th, subjected to severe examination by Scotland Yard officers, and a protracted Coroner's inquiry, arrested on a charge of murder, kept in prison a long period, and compelled to undergo all the anguish and terrors of a capital charge, and had been released, no case having been proved against her.

He also asked, amid cheers, whether the Prime Minister would institute a public inquiry into the position and powers of coroners, and whether, in the public interest, in view of the heavy expense involved in ensuring adequate legal defence, provision could not be made to guarantee poor persons, particularly those implicated in charges involving life and death, the fullest possible legal and technical assistance free from all costs.

"Due Consideration."

Sir T. Inskip (Attorney-General), who replied, said: In regard to the two last questions, I am not prepared to give any answer, except that these matters will receive due consideration by the proper authorities. In regard to the question of compensation for Mrs. Pace, who has been acquitted by a jury after a careful and admittedly fair trial, there has been no departure from the ordinary course of the administration of justice. In these circumstances it is most undesirable, in the interests of justice generally, that any proposal for compensation in this case should be entertained.

Mr. Purcell: Is there really no sense of decency on the part of the Government? (Conservative cries of "Oh!") I repeat, is there no sense of decency on the part of the Crown in connection with the case, which has resulted in half a woman's home being destroyed by members of the public who are in a morbid sense out for sightseeing? Is there nothing to be done for the woman who had been thrown into prison without an atom of evidence that she was in any sense responsible for the crime? Will the Crown look at the depositions and see whether the case ought ever to have been brought against this woman?

"Inhuman Torture."

Sir T. Inskip: I will took into the depositions, and if Mr. Purcell had postponed his question it would have given me an opportunity of looking at the evidence.

Mr. Will Thorne: Is it not a fact that if the coroner had accepted the jury's verdict in the first instance this woman would have been prevented from suffering this inhuman torture?

Mr. Hayes: Will the Attorney-General bear in mind that an ex-gratia payment of £500 was made to an ex-officer [Major Bell], and obviously the question of justice does arise where a poor woman has been tried and acquitted of the horrible charge of murder.

Sir T. Inskip: It is very undesirable to enter into a discussion of a case in which the person in question has been fully acquitted. The case which Mr. Hayes mentioned was a case in which there had been a conviction.

Captain Streatfeild: Is the Attorney-General aware that, whatever the coroner's jury may say, there is no getting away from the degradation and suffering caused to the persons subsequently acquitted, and would be consider carefully, in cases where this intense suffering is undergone by persons accused erroneously on the capital charge, whether these cases should not be carefully considered by the Government with a view to compensation?

Mr. Hopkin Morris: In view of the fact that the verdict of the coroner's jury remains on record, will the Attorney-General take steps to have the verdict quashed, and does he propose to make an amendment of the law relating to coroner's juries, limiting the powers of a coroner's jury to inquiry into the cause of death only, leaving the verdict to be inquired into by magisterial and assize courts?

"I Have No Power."

Sir Thomas Inskip: Everything will be borne in mind. I have no power to quash a verdict of a coroner's inquest. The proper proceedings, in accordance with the usual administration of the law, were taken as a result of the verdict returned by the coroner's jury and the committal by the magistrates of the accused person in question on the particular charge. I do respectfully suggest that it is undesirable to discuss the verdict of complete acquittal which this lady has received.

Mr. Hopkin Morris: Apart from the facts of this particular case, here are two verdicts; the verdict of the coroner's jury finding the person guilty of murder is reversed at the assizes. That reveals the illogical state of the law. Is it not desirable, therefore, in that state of

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JUDGE'S CHANGED MIND.

BOGUS COUNT NOT TO MIX WITH OLD CRIMINALS.

Sir Henry Dickens, K.C., the Common Serjeant, at the Old Bailey altered the sentence of 22 months' hard labour he passed the previous day on Henry Anderson Conroy Irving Eustace, aged 22, to 22 months in the second division.

Eustace was found guilty of trying to obtain nearly £7,000 from Mrs. M. B. Stirling, a Doncaster widow. It was stated that he had posed as Count de Boulogne, and had obtained large sums from other women.

Sir Henry pointed out that hard labour might do the youth serious injury. New criminals sent to the second division did not have to mix with old criminals as they did when undergoing hard labour. He directed the warders to tell Eustace of the alteration in the sentence.

HONG KONG METEOROLOGICAL REGISTER.

Hong Kong Observatory, August 2nd.

	Previous Day at 2 p.m.	On Day at 6 a.m.	On Day at 2 p.m.
Barometer...	29.60	29.61	29.57
Temperature	90	83	92
Humidity ...	60	86	57
Wind—			
Direction	WSW	Calm	WSW
Force ...	2	0	2
Weather ...	C	C	C
Rain	0.02	0.00	0.00

Highest open-air Temperature, 1st: 92
Lowest open-air Temperature, 2nd: 83

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HONG KONG TIDE TABLE.

From August 3rd to 9th, 1928.

Days of Week.	Date of Month.	High Water. Hong Kong Standard Time.	Height.	Low Water. Hong Kong Standard Time.	Height.
		h. m.	ft. in.	h. m.	ft. in.
Fri.	3	m 9 44	7 9	m 3 18	3 0
		11 38 a	4 3	5 15 a	0 4
Sat.	4	m 10 32	7 7	m 3 59	2 9
				5 53 a	0 7
Sun.	5	m 0 9	4 4	m 4 46	2 8
		m 11 23	7 3	6 32 a	1 1
Mon.	6	m 0 43	4 6	m 5 40	2 3
		0 16 a	6 7	7 11 a	1 7
Tues.	7	m 1 21	4 9	m 6 43	2 8
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Wed.	8	m 2 6	5 2	m 8 4	2 8
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the law to amend the law so as to limit the findings of the coroner's jury to the cause of death alone?

Sir T. Inskip: Whether it is desirable or not, it is not a proper subject for question and answer without due opportunity for considering this important matter.

The Attorney-General, replying to Mr. Hore-Belisha, said: "There are certain cases in which costs may be allowed. I have had no opportunity of considering whether this is such a case in which the court might make such an order."

The Speaker stopped further questions.

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Amoy, Swatow & Singapore	"ANTUNG" ...	On	6th Aug.,	9 a.m.
Swatow, Shanghai, Newchwang & Dalny ...	"LUCHOW"	On	6th Aug.,	Noon
Amoy, Shanghai & Tsingtao	"SHANTUNG"	On	7th Aug.,	5 a.m.
Shanghai ...	"YUNNAN" ...	On	8th Aug.,	5 a.m.
Bangkok ...	"KWEIYANG"	On	9th Aug.,	10 a.m.
Swatow & Shanghai ...	"LINAN"	On	9th Aug.,	2 p.m.
Shanghai & Tsingtao ...	"SOOCHOW"	On	11th Aug.,	5 a.m.
Weihaiwei, Chefoo & Tientsin ...	"KUEICHOW"	On	11th Aug.,	4 p.m.
Swatow & Bangkok ...	"KALGAN" ...	On	12th Aug.,	1 p.m.
Swatow, Shanghai, Newchwang & Dalny ...	"KANCHOW"	On	13th Aug.,	Noon
Amoy, Shanghai & Tsingtao	"SINKIANG"	On	14th Aug.,	5 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy, Swatow & Singapore ...	"ANKING"	On	14th Aug.,	3 p.m.
Weihaiwei, Chefoo & Tientsin ...	"HUICHOW"	On	23rd Aug.,	4 p.m.

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ATHOS II ...	...	28th Aug.
D'ARTAGNAN	...	11th Sept.
SPHINX	...	25th Sept.
G. METZINGER	...	9th Oct.
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Shipping News
Arrivals and Departures, etc.

ARRIVALS.

August 1st.

Delhi, Swedish m.s., 2,606 tons, Capt. F. N. Borgstrom, from Shanghai, which port she left on July 29th, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. A52.—Gilman & Co.

Englee, Chinese str., 865 tons, Capt. H. Maki, from Newchwang and Chefoo, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. C40.—Yue Tai Hong.

Holvard, British str., 1,217 tons, Capt. C. W. Shearer, from Hoihow, lying at buoy No. C12.—Wo Fat Shing.

Song Bo, French str., 720 tons, Capt. J. Bonnamour, from Haiphong and Hoihow, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. C41.—M.M.

Tak Hing, Chinese str., 105 tons, Capt. Lo Shau, from Autau, with a general cargo, lying at Chen Cheong Wharf.—Fook Hoi Co.

August 2nd.

Cedric, Norwegian str., 3,660 tons, Capt. F. Matso, from Canton, lying at Stonecutters.—Berg Co.

Chenan, British str., 1,355 tons, Capt. J. D. Fraser, from Canton, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. B9.—B. & S.

City of Tokio, British str., 4,426 tons, Capt. E. Mason, from Shanghai, which port she left on July 30th, lying at buoy No. A27.—Bank Line.

Corona, Norwegian str., 1,953 tons, Capt. O. M. Klette, from Chinwangtao, which port she left on July 27th, with a cargo of coal, lying at Laichikok.—Dodwell & Co.

Golden, Dragon, American str., 4,250, Capt. C. H. Bruun, from Manila, which port she left on July 30th, with sugar and general cargo, lying at buoy No. A8.—Columbia Pacific S.S. Co.

Kweiyang, British str., 1,474 tons, Capt. E. M. Gellie, from Hoihow, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. B11.—B. & S.

Tai Poo Sek, French str., 1,217 tons, Capt. Maternati Paul, from Fort Bayard, with a general cargo, lying at China Merchants Wharf.—Shun Cheong S.S. Co.

CLEARANCES.

August 2nd.

Cedric, for Hongay.
Chenan, for Shanghai.
Cheung On, for Shanmi.
Chinkiang, for Swatow.
City of Tokio, for Singapore.
Englee, for Canton.
Hydrangea, for Swatow.
Lyemoon, for Saigon.
Menado Maru, for Hoihow.
Shiu Hing, for Macao.
Song Bo, for Haiphong.
Tai Poo Sek, for Kwong Chow Wan.
Talma, for Singapore.
Tean, for Hoihow.
Wing Wo, for Kwong Chow Wan.

SUNRISE AND SUNSET.

	Sunrise.	*Sunset.*
To-day .....5.56 a.m.		7.03 p.m.
To-morrow ...5.56 ,,		7.02 ,,
Sunday .....5.56 ,,		7.02 ,,

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The White Star Company has just laid the keel plates of a mystery liner. Only meagre details with regard to it have been published. It is to have a displacement of 70,000 tons—the largest ship afloat—a length of 1,000ft. and a breadth of 100ft. But not a word about speed, except a vague statement that it may be a little faster than the *Mauretania*.

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MACKINNON, MACKENZIE & CO.
Hong Kong, 31st July, 1928 [6557

CONSIGNEE NOTICES.

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Hong Kong, 2nd Aug., 1928. [6565

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Hong Kong, 1st Aug., 1928. [6526

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	"CHAKSANG"	Wed., 8th Aug., at Noon
	"YATSHING"	Sun., 12th Aug., at Noon
	"KWONGSANG"	Wed., 15th Aug., at Noon
OSAKA via AMOY, MOJI & KOBE ...	"NAMSANG"	Sun., 5th Aug., at 7 a.m.
OSAKA via AMOY, S'HAI., MOJI & KOBE ...	"KUMSANG"	Fri., 17th Aug., at 7 a.m.
CANTON ..	"CHEONGSHING"	Fri., 3rd Aug., at 7 p.m.
STRAITS & CALCUTTA...	"HOSANG"	Mon., 6th Aug., at 3 p.m.
	"KUTSANG"	Mon., 13th Aug., at 3 p.m.
TIENTSIN ...	"CHEONGSHING"	Tues., 7th Aug., at Noon

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Motor Vessel "GLENAMOY" ...	(via Oran)	18th Sept.
Motor Vessel "GLENAPP" ...	(via Oran)	31st Oct.

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Motor Vessel "GLENAMOY" ...	...	...	10th Aug.
Motor Vessel "GLENLUCE" ...	...	...	11th Aug.
Motor Vessel "GLENGARRY" ...			1st Sept.
Motor Vessel "GLENAPP" ...	...	...	14th Sept.

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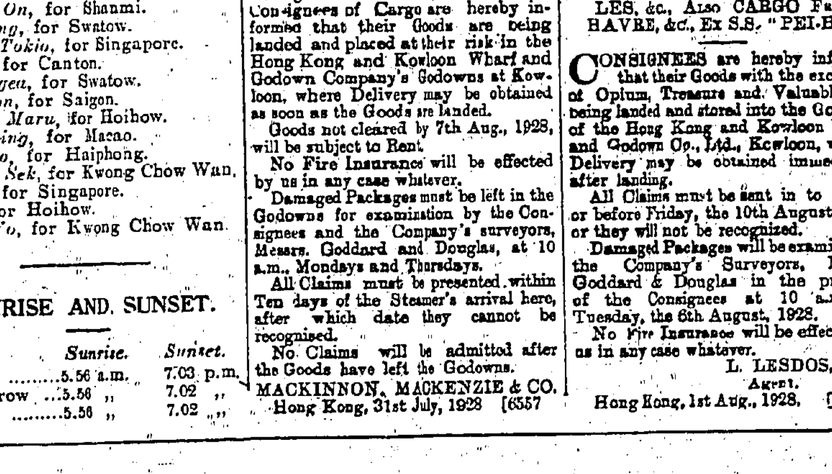

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Steamers.	Hong Kong Leave	S'hai. Leave	Kobe Leave	Y'hama. Leave	V'couver. Arrive.
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EMPRESS OF RUSSIA	Aug. 29	Sept. 1	Sept. 4	Sept. 6	Sept. 15
EMPRESS OF ASIA	Sept. 12	Sept. 15	Sept. 18	Sept. 20	Sept. 29
EMPRESS OF CANADA	Oct. 3	Oct. 6	Oct. 9	Oct. 11	Oct. 20
EMPRESS OF RUSSIA	Oct. 24	Oct. 27	Oct. 30	Nov. 1	Nov. 10
EMPRESS OF ASIA	Nov. 7	Nov. 10	Nov. 13	Nov. 15	Nov. 24
EMPRESS OF FRANCE	Nov. 28	Dec. 1	Dec. 4	Dec. 6	Dec. 15
EMPRESS OF RUSSIA	Dec. 12	Dec. 15	Dec. 18	Dec. 20	Dec. 29
EMPRESS OF ASIA	Jan. 16	Jan. 19	Jan. 22	Jan. 24	Feb. 2
EMPRESS OF FRANCE	Feb. 6	Feb. 9	Feb. 12	Feb. 14	Feb. 23
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TANGO MARU ... ... Wednesday, 19th Sept.

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Shipping News

Daily Statement, Waterfront News, Vessels Expected, etc.

YESTERDAY'S FREIGHT RETURNS.

THROUGH FREIGHTS REMAIN GOOD.

LOCAL IMPORTS IMPROVE.

With twenty-one arrivals and fifteen departures during the 24 hours ended at 9 a.m. yesterday. The local imports showed a slight increase over the previous day's figures. Through freights remained at a very good total. Seven arrivals and five departures were British ships, but only a small portion of the through cargo was carried by British ships.

Seventeen vessels had cargo for this port amounting to 11,772 tons of which four British ships contributed 4,550 tons.

The best return was shown by the s.s. *Corona* (Norwegian) with 4,760 tons of coal from Chinwangtao, while the s.s. *Cheong Shing* (British) from Tonkin had 2,200 tons of general cargo.

Through freights carried by eleven ships totalled 17,566 tons of which five British ships carried 1,488 tons. The two best returns were shown by the s.s. *Delhi* (Swedish) from Dairen and Shanghai with 6,700 tons of general merchandise; and the s.s. *Golden Dragon* (American) with 4,197 tons from Los Angeles and Manila.

The arrivals and departures during the period under review were as follows:—

	Arr.	Dep.
British	7	4
Japanese	1	3
Norwegian	2	1
Chinese	5	2
Danish	1	1
Dutch	0	1
French	3	2
American	1	0
Swedish	1	1
Total	21	15

VESSELS EXPECTED.

American Mail Line.
President Madison, to-morrow.

Australian-Oriental Line.
Changte, August 7th.
Taiping, September 7th.

Bank Line.
City of Khartoum, to-morrow.
City of Evansville, August 10th.
City of Halifax, August 17th.
City of Khios, September 1st.
City of Lincoln, September 14th.
City of Eastbourne, October 10th.

British-India and Apcar Line.
Warfield, August 10th.
Taklitwa, August 12th.
Tilawa, August 15th.
Takada, August 30th.
Talamba, September 3rd.

Butterfield & Swire.
Luchow, to-day.

Canadian Pacific Line.
Empress of Canada, August 5th.

East Asiatic Co., Copenhagen.
Danmark, August 24th.
Asia, September 6th.
Java, September 6th.
Chile, September 21st.

Eastern and Australian Lines.
Tanda, August 8th.
St. Albans, September 3rd.

Glen Line.
Glenamoy, August 10th.
Glenluce, August 11th.
Glenshane, August 12th.
Glengarry, September 1st.
Glenapp, September 14th.

Blue Funnel Line.
Bellerophon, August 8th.
Phemius, August 9th.
Glaucus, August 7th.
Teucer, August 14th.
Calchus, August 16th.
Automedon, August 18th.
Antilochus, August 20th.
Philoctetes, August 21st.
Elpenor, August 22nd.
Sarpedon, August 23rd.
Lycaon, August 24th.
Tyndareus, September 2nd.
Orestes, August 31st.
Aeneas, September 4th.
Menelaus, September 7th.
Eurylochus, September 9th.
Achilles, September 18th.
Telamon, September 19th.
Patroclus, September 20th.
Protesilaus, September 25th.
Meriones, September 28th.
Matoppo, September 29th.
Antyanax, October 9th.
Oanfa, October 15th.
Talthybius, October 16th.
Adrastus, October 17th.
Agapenor, October 17th.
Antenor, October 18th.
Diomed, October 18th.
Hector, November 15th.
Ixion, November 8th.
Titan, November 20th.

Hamburg-Amerika Linie and Hugo Stinnes Linien.
Heidelberg, August 6th.
Oldenburg, August 7th.
Rheinland, August 20th.
Haventstein, August 31st.
Carl Legien, September 4th.
Leverkusen, September 13th.
Ermland, September 30th.

Java-China-Japan Lijn.
Tjikembang, August 6th.
Tjiskin, August 13th.
Tjisalak, August 13th.
Tjisaroea, August 16th.
Tjikarang, August 20th.
Tjismanoek, August 27th.
Tjitarum, August 27th.
Tjisondari, August 30th.

Messageries Maritimes.
Min, to-morrow.
Andre Lebon, August 14th.
Porthos, August 14th.
Athos II., August 28th.
Chenonceaux, August 28th.
D'Artagnan, September 11th.
Sphinx, September 25th.
General Metzinger, October 9th.
Paul Lecat, October 23rd.

Nippon Yusen Kaisha.
Anyo Maru, to-morrow.
Atsuta Maru, August 10th.
Tamba Maru, August 10th.
Tenyo Maru, August 14th.
Delagoa Maru, August 16th.
Tango Maru, August 16th.
Calcutta Maru, August 21st.
Mishima Maru, August 21st.
Kashima Maru, August 24th.
Korea Maru, August 28th.
Kawachi Maru, September 5th.
Hakone Maru, September 7th.
Taketuyo Maru, September 9th.
Bokuyo Maru, September 10th.
Shinyo Maru, September 12th.
Suwa Maru, September 21st.
Lyons Maru, September 16th.
Tango Maru, September 18th.
Kanagawa Maru, October 8th.
Fukuyo Maru, October 24th.
Ginyo Maru, December 3rd.

Peninsular and Oriental.
Kalyan, to-day.
Kashmir, to-day.
Kidderpore, August 10th.
Naldera, August 16th.
Rajputana, August 18th.
Kashgar, August 30th.
Nagpore, August 30th.
Morea, September 13th.
Lahore, September 24th.
Khiva, September 27th.
Macedonia, October 12th.
Karmala, October 19th.
Khyber, October 26th.
Malwa, November 9th.
Mantua, December 7th.

DAILY WATERFRONT NEWS.

ANCHORING IN CABLE AREA.

[BY LONGSHOREMAN.]

Chui Yee, master of a cargo boat appeared before Commander J. B. Newill, D.S.O., R.N., at the Marine Court yesterday morning for anchoring his craft in the Cable area at Aberdeen.

Sergt. Hopkins who made the arrest prosecuted and the defendant pleaded "not guilty." He said that he very seldom called at Aberdeen and was unaware of the regulations regarding the cable area.

Police evidence was given to the effect that although the defendants anchor was outside the area, the junk was well within prohibited area.

The Magistrate imposed a fine of $5 with the alternative of five days' hard labour.

Death On French Vessel.

The master of the s.s. *Chenoneaux* (French) from Marseilles and Saigon reports the death of a Chinese during the voyage from heart disease.

Asiatic Deck Passengers.

Ten vessels brought 361 Asiatic deck passengers to the Colony during the 24 hours ended at 9 a.m. yesterday.

"Wing On" Refit.

The s.s. *Wing On* (Captain Mutton) employed on the Kongmoon run is at present in the hands of the Kwong Fook Cheong Shipyards at Chueng Shar Wan for her annual refit and overhaul. The vessel is expected to be ready before long and will resume her run to Kongmoon.

MERCHANT SHIPS IN PORT

The following merchant vessels were in port yesterday at 9 a.m.:—

British: *Chinkiang, New Mathilde, Cheong Shing, Chenan, Halvard, Teon, Haining, Arafura, Hydrangea, Eburna, Talma, Mau Sang, Kaying, Danybryn, Talthybius, Antung, City of Evaneville, Lyeemoon, Haihong, Seang Bee, Taikoo, Gorgistan, Sumatra.*

American: *Golden Dragon.*

Norwegian: *Cederic, Corona, Hiram, Svale, Havdrot, Prominent, Daviken, Vestland.*

Portuguese: *Kong On, King On.*

Japanese: *Kishu Maru, Taiyo Maru, Daishu Maru, Kaitsu Maru, Menado Maru.*

Chinese: *Cheung On, Kwok Tai, Englee, Wing Wo, Davawongse, Derwent, Chuan Chow, Sun Sai Kai, Poo Tye, Yan On, Hung Chow, Tejo, Haimun, Gen. H. Knox, Main Sun.*

Dutch: *Tjikarang, Van Heuta, Jan, Otto.*

Danish: *Clara Jebsen.*

French: *Song Bo.*

SHIPPING MOVEMENTS.

The R.M.S. *Empress of Canada* arrived at Manila on Thursday, leaves to-day (Friday) at 4 p.m., and is due at Hong Kong on Sunday at 9 a.m.

Norddeutscher Lloyd, Bremen.
Grandon, August 15th.
Schlesien, August 24th.
Trier, August 26th.

Prince Line.
Royal Prince, August 22nd
Javanese Prince, September 16th.

Swedish East Asiatic Co., Ltd.
Japan, August 22nd.
Sumatra, August 31st.

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Steamship	Tons.	From Hongkong (about)	Destination
†"KASHMIR"	8,985	4th Aug., Noon	Mars., London, Antwerp & Hull.
*"KIDDERPORE"	5,334	10th Aug.	Straits, Bombay & Karachi.
"RAJPUTANA"	16,568	18th Aug.	Bombay, Marseilles and London.
"NALDERA"	16,088	1st Sept.	Bombay, Marseilles and London
†"KALYAN"	9,144	15th Sept.	Mars., L'don., Antwerp & Hull.
†"KASHGAR"	9,005	29th Sept.	do.
"MOREA"	10,953	13th Oct.	Marseilles and London.
†"KHIVA"	9,135	27th Oct.	do.
"MACEDONIA"	11,120	10th Nov.	Bombay, Marseilles and London.
*"LAHORE"	5,252	17th Nov.	Mars., L'don., A'werp., R'dm., H'bg.
†"KHYBER"	9,114	24th Nov.	Marseilles and London.
"KARMALA"	9,128	1st Dec.	do.
"MALWA"	10,946	8th Dec.	Bombay, Marseilles and London.
"KASHMIR"	8,985	15th Dec.	Marseilles and London.
"NALDERA"	16,088	22nd Dec.	do.
"MANTUA"	10,946	5th Jan., 1929	Bombay, Marseilles and London.
"KALYAN"	9,144	19th Jan., "	Marseilles and London.
"MOREA"	10,953	2nd Feb., "	Bombay, Marseilles and London.
"KASHGAR"	9,005	16th Feb., "	Marseilles & London.

* Cargo only.
† Calls Casa Blanca.

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"TAKLIWA"	7,936	14th Aug.	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta
"TILAWA"	10,093	8th Sept.	do
"TAKADA"	6,949	24th Sept.	do.
"TALAMBA"	8,018	2nd Oct.	do.
"TALMA"	10,000	12th Oct.	do.

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EASTERN AND AUSTRALIAN SAILINGS (SUBJ'D)

*"ARAFURA"	6,000	3rd Aug., 4 p.m.	Manila, Sandakan, Tawsan, Island, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney and Melbourne.
"TANDA"	6,956	31st Aug.	
"ST. ALBANS"	4,500	25th Sept.	
*"ARAFURA"	6,000	2nd Nov.	
"TANDA"	6,956	30th Nov.	

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The P. & O. Branch Service of Steamers to London via the Cape.
The New Zealand Shipping Co.'s Steamers for Southampton and London via Panama Canal.

SAILINGS TO SHANGHAI AND JAPAN

"KALYAN"	9,144	4th Aug., Noon	S'hai., Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
"TANDA"	6,956	8th Aug.	Moji, Kobe, Osaka & Yokohama.
*"WARFIELD"	6,000	11th Aug.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe.
"TILAWA"	10,000	17th Aug.	Amoy, Moji, Kobe & Osaka.
"NALDERA"	16,088	17th Aug.	Shanghai.
*"NAGPORE"	5,253	Aug. 30th	S'hai., Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
"KASHGAR"	9,005	31st Aug.	S'hai., Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
"TAKADA"	6,949	1st Sept.	Amoy, S'hai., Moji, Kobe & Osaka
"ST. ALBANS"	4,500	4th Sept.	Moji, Kobe, Osaka & Yokohama.
"TALAMBA"	8,018	5th Sept.	Amoy, Moji, Kobe, Y'hama & Osaka.
"MOREA"	10,953	14th Sept.	S'hai., Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
"TALMA"	10,000	20th Sept.	Amoy, Moji, Kobe & Osaka.
*"LAHORE"	5,252	24th Sept.	S'hai., Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
"KHIVA"	9,135	28th Sept.	S'hai., Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
"ARAFURA"	6,000	9th Oct.	Moji, Kobe, Osaka & Yokohama.
"MACEDONIA"	11,120	12th Oct.	S'hai., Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
"KARMALA"	9,128	19th Oct.	do.
"KHYBER"	9,114	26th Oct.	do.
"KASHMIR"	8,985	2nd Nov.	do.
"TANDA"	6,956	6th Nov.	Moji, Kobe, Osaka & Yokohama.
"MALWA"	10,936	9th Nov.	S'hai., Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
"NALDERA"	16,088	23rd Nov.	Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama.
"MANTUA"	10,946	7th Dec.	S'hai., Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
"KALYAN"	9,144	21st Dec.	do.
"MOREA"	10,953	4th Jan., 1929	do.
"ARAFURA"	6,000	8th Jan., "	Moji, Kobe, Osaka & Y'hama.
"KASHGAR"	9,005	18th Jan., "	S'hai., Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
"MACEDONIA"	11,120	1st Feb., "	do.
"TANDA"	6,956	5th Feb., "	Moji, Kobe, Osaka & Y'hama.
"KHIVA"	9,135	15th Feb., "	S'hai., Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
"MALWA"	10,936	1st Mar., "	do.
"NALDERA"	16,088	15th Mar., "	do.

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INWARD MAILS.

From	Per	Due
Europe via Suez (letters & papers, London, 5th July, & parcels, 25th June)	*Kaiyan*	3rd Aug.
Shanghai and Europe via Siberia	*Kashmir* ... —	3rd Aug.
Canada, U.S.A., Japan & Shanghai	*Pres. Madison* ...	4th Aug.
Straits	*Nam Sang* ...	4th Aug.
Shanghai	*Shantung* ...	4th Aug.
Manila	*Emp. of Canada* ...	5th Aug.
Australia & Manila	*Taida* ...	9th Aug.
Japan & Shanghai	*Atsuta Maru* ...	14th Aug.
Australia & Manila ...	*Tango Maru* ...	15th Aug.

OUTWARD MAILS.

For	Per	Date & Time
Hoihow, Pakhoi & *Haiphong ... ... Manila, Sandakan, Australia & New Zealand via Thursday Island—due Thursday Island, 18th August ...	*Tean*	Friday, 3rd, 8.30 A M
Fort Bayard	*Arafura* ...	Parcels Noon
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow		Reg. 1.45 P M
Hoihow	*Tai Poo Sak* ...	Letters 2.30 P M
Shanghai & EUROPE via Siberia	*Hai Ning* ...	1.30 P M
	Devawongse ...	2.00 P M
	Suiyang ...	5.00 P M
		6.00 P M
		Kowloon P.O.
		Parcels 4.30 P M
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa, Aden, Egypt & EUROPE via Marseilles—due Marseilles, 2nd Sept.	*Kashmir* ...	Reg. 4th, 9.00 A M
		Letters 10.00 A M
		G.P.O.
		Par. 3rd, 5.00 P M
		Reg. 4th, 9.45 A M
		Letters 10.30 A M
Haiphong	*Song Bo*	Saturday, 4th, 8.30 A M
Shanghai, Japan & EUROPE via Siberia ...	*Kaiyan*	10.00 A M
Manila	*Pres. Madison* ...	4.30 P M
Amoy	*Nansang*	5.00 P M
Bangkok via Swatow	*Kaying*	Sunday, 5th, 9.00 A M
Swatow, Amoy and Formosa ...	*Kishu Maru* ...	9.00 A M
Swatow	*Luchow*	Monday, 6th, 10.30 A M
Shanghai & Japan	*Siwa Maru* ...	10.30 A M
Straits and Calcutta ... — ...	*Hosang*	Parcels Noon
Amoy	*Shantung*	Letters 1.00 P M
Shanghai, Japan, *Canada, *U.S.A., *C. & *S. America & *EUROPE via Victoria, B.C.—due Victoria, B.C., 27th August, ...	*Pres. Cleveland* ...	5.00 P M
		Parcels 5.00 P M
		Reg. 7th, 9.45 A M
		Letters 10.30 A M
		Tuesday, 7th, *Kowloon P.O.*
Straits, Egypt & Europe via Marseilles—due Marseilles, 7th Sept.	*Glaucus*	Reg. 1.00 P M
		Letters 1.00 P M
		G.P.O.
		Reg. 1.45 P M
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	*Hai Ching* ...	Letters 2.30 P M
		2.00 P M
Shanghai & EUROPE via Siberia	*Emp. of Canada* ...	Parcels 3.00 P M
		Reg. 4.15 P M
		Letters 6.00 P M
Japan, Canada, U.S.A., C. and S. America & *Europe via Vancouver, B.C.—due Vancouver, B.C., 25th August	*Emp. of Canada* ...	Parcels 3.00 P M
		Reg. 4.15 P M
		Letters 5.00 P M
		Wednesday, 8th,
		Reg. 9.45 A M
Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu, Canada, U.S.A., C. & S. America, & *Europe via San Francisco—due San Francisco, 3rd Sept.	*Taiyo Maru* ...	Letters 10.30 A M
Swatow	*Chak Sang* ...	10.30 A M
		Thursday, 9th, 8.30 A M
Bangkok	*Kwai Fang* ...	12.30 P M
Swatow	*Linan*	
		Friday, 10th, 2.00 P M
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	*Haiyang* ...	

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Hong Kong, 7th June, 1928. [26

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A. C. HYNES,
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H. MORI, Manager.
Hong Kong 12th March, 1928. [35

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	TONGKAH (Bhaket)	

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A. H. FERGUSON,
Manager.
Hong Kong, 16th Mar., 1928. [30

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A. ROLLIN,
Manager.
Hong Kong, 19th April, 1928.

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HEAD OFFICE:
15, Gracechurch Street, London, E.C. 3.

Authorised Capital £3,000,000
Subscribed Capital £1,800,000
Paid-up Capital £1,050,000
Reserve Fund and Rest.....£1,584,846

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C. L. C. SANDES, Manager.
7, Queen's Road Central.
Hong Kong, 18th July, 1928. [29

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PAID-UP CAPITAL 19,760,200.00
RESERVE FUND 9,864,396.89

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SHOU J. CHEN,
Manager.
Hong Kong, 29th June, 1927. [28 97]

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Subscribed Capital.. Frs. 72,000,000.00
Paid-up Capital ... Frs. 63,400,000.00
Reserve Fund ..... Frs. 39,384,519.10

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CH. LEM,
Manager.
Hong Kong, 20th Feb., 1927. [32

THE BANK OF CANTON, LTD.

HEAD OFFICE: HONG KONG.

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AUTHORIZED CAPITAL ..$11,000,000
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Bank Bills, at 4 months' sight	2/0½
Credits, at 4 months' sight	—
Documentary Bills, 4 months' sight	—
ON PARIS.—	
Bank Bills, on demand	1.257½
Credits, 4 months' sight	—
ON NEW YORK.—	
Bank Bills, on demand	49½
Credits, at 60 days' sight	—
ON BOMBAY.—	
Telegraphic Transfer / Bank Bills, on demand	135⅝
ON CALCUTTA.—	
Telegraphic Transfer / Bank Bills, on demand	135⅜
ON SHANGHAI.—	
Bank Bills, at sight	76
Private, 30 days' sight	—
ON YOKOHAMA.—On demand	109
ON MANILA.—On demand	99
ON SINGAPORE.—On demand	87½
ON BATAVIA.—On demand	122½
ON HAIPHONG.—On demand	nom.
ON SAIGON.—On demand	—
ON BANGKOK.—On demand	92½
SOVEREIGN, Bank's Buying rate	2/1½ / $9.55
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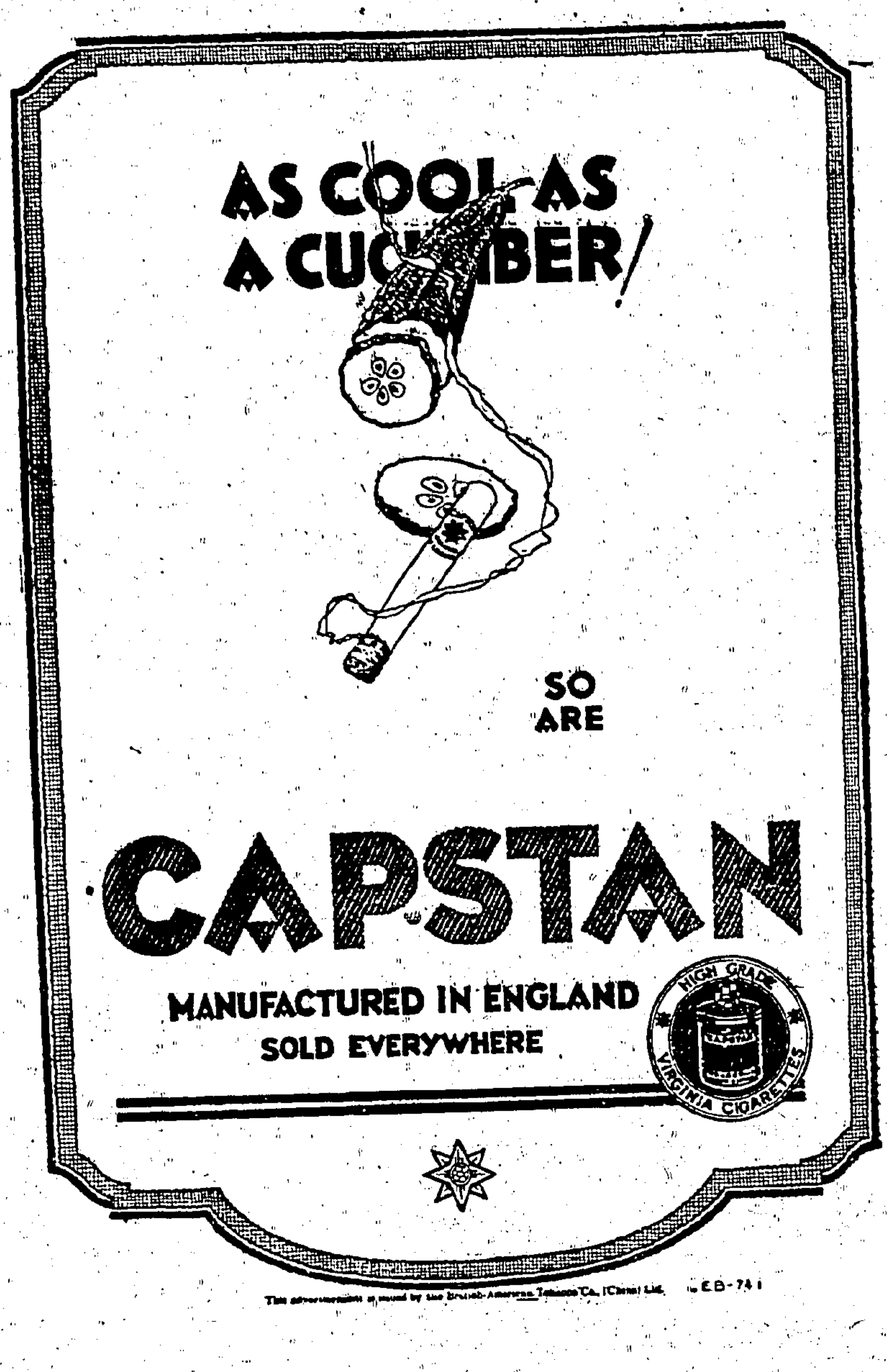

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